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Former President Barack Obama speaks during a campaign rally in support of Democratic candidates, Friday, Nov. 2, 2018, in Miami.

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By KEN THOMAS **Associated Press WASHINGTON (AP)** — Feuding from a distance, Presiformer President Barack

Obama exchanged tough words Friday as they sought to rally their parties' base sion" and expressed hope voters in the final days bedent Donald Trump and fore the midterm elections. Obama urged Democrats

in Miami to turn against "a politics based on divithat "we will cut through the lies, block out the noise

called to be." Trump said in West Virginia he watched Obama's speech aboard Air Force One, reminding some of his most loyal supand remember who we are porters of what he called

Obama's broken promises on health care, the freedom of the press and global trade.

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Diversity among Asians divides them on affirmative action

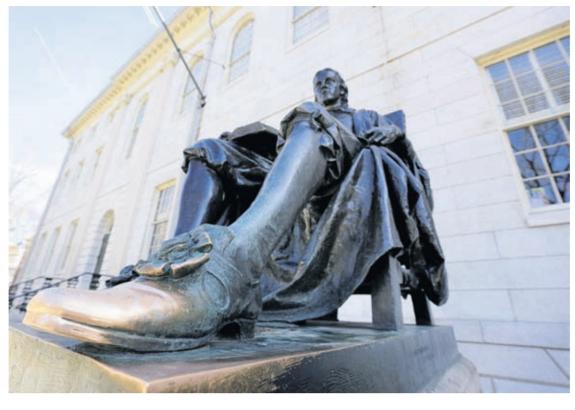
By JANIE HAR, **Associated Press**

A federal judge in Boston is scheduled to hear closing arguments Friday in a highly publicized lawsuit alleging that elite Harvard discriminates against Asian-Americans.

Much of the spotlight has been on affluent Chinese-Americans with stellar academic scores who say the college rejects Asians in favor of lesser-qualified applicants. They say factoring in race hurts Asian-Americans.

But others in the Asian community say that a raceblind process relying solely on academic scores would also hurt Asian-Americans. Southeast Asians, for example, who largely came over as refugees from Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia, are under-represented in higher education.

"The narrative right now is very focused on a very specific segment within the Asian-American community that does not represent the larger Asian-American community," said Quyen Dinh, executive director



In this March 13, 2016 file photo, a sculpture in bronze of John Harvard rests on the campus of Harvard University, in Cambridge, Mass. People often touch the toe of the statue's shoe for luck. **Associated Press**

of the Southeast Asia Resource Action Center.

The case brought by Students for Fair Admissions could wind up before a newly re-constituted and more conservative U.S. Supreme Court, which only narrowly re-affirmed the use of race in college admissions two years ago. Here are some of the issues surrounding Asian-Americans and affirmative ac-

WHO ARE ASIAN-AMERI-CANS?

There are at least 18 million people in the U.S. who are of Asian descent from about 20 countries. Asian-Americans are about 6 percent of the U.S. population, but make up nearly 23 percent of this year's freshman class at Harvard, 22 percent of the same class at Princeton, and are the fastest growing minority in the country.

Chinese-Americans are the largest sub-group with at least 4.3 million people, followed by Indian-Americans at 4 million and Filipino-Americans at 3 million. Chinese started migrating to the country in the 19th century as labor for

the growing West. More recent waves include refugees from Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia, as well as highly skilled workers from China and India.

The term "Asian-American" was coined by young civil rights activists marching alongside Latinos and African Americans for social TION HELP OR HURT ASIANjustice in the 1960s.

Ellen D. Wu, a history professor and director of the Asian American Studies Program at Indiana Uni-

versity in Bloomington, says that political identity has now evolved largely into a demographic designation for "a very diverse group."

WHAT IS THE ASIAN AMERI-CAN COALITION FOR EDU-CATION?

Students for Fair Admissions filed the lawsuit against Harvard in 2014. Actively supporting it is the Asian American Coalition for Education, which filed federal complaints in 2015 alleging discrimination. The coalition's president is Yukong Zhao, a corporate strategist who immigrated to the U.S. from China in 1992 to pursue a master's degree in business. Zhao is part of a new generation of wealthier Chinese immigrants who are active on social media and opposed to affirmative action.

Conservative strategist Edward Blum, who is president of Students for Fair Admissions, was behind the last affirmative action admissions case, which accused the University of Texas of discriminating against white students. Blum lost that case at the U.S. Supreme Court.

DOES AFFIRMATIVE AC-**AMERICANS?**

Depends on who you ask. Julie J. Park, author of "Race on Campus: Debunking Myths with Data"

and past consultant to Harvard in the lawsuit, says under-represented Asians such as Cambodians and Hmong can get a boost from a review that goes beyond test scores. The same goes for lower-income Asian-Americans grades may not reflect their potential. Park also says colleges want students with different backgrounds so Asian-Americans may be more coveted in fields or colleges with few Asians. It depends on the situation. Students for Fair Admissions, on the other hand, argues the system in place at Harvard puts unfair weight on race, primarily at the expense of academically talented Asian Americans. It also alleges that Harvard intentionally uses a vague "personal rating" to reject Asian-American applicants in favor of students from other racial backgrounds. Supporters of affirmative action say it's possible that Harvard is biased against Asian-Americans, but that doesn't mean race-conscious policies should be scrapped.

WHY ARE ASIANS CALLED THE "MODEL MINORITY"?

The stereotype of Asian-Americans as hard-working, educated and free of societal problems started in the 1960s. Wu, the history professor, says it was a way for whites to establish a racial order that was defined, most importantly, by not being black.

Asian-Americans were also responsible for perpetuating the myth, she said, adding that the "consequences of that have long functioned to justify anti-black racism and anti-black policies."

IS THERE ANY TRUTH TO THE **MODEL MINORITY MYTH?**

Overall, the numbers look good for Asian-Americans. Their household median income is \$83,000, compared with \$60,000 for the U.S. More than 50 percent have a bachelor's degree or higher, compared with 32 percent for the country, according to the 2017 American Community Survey put out by the U.S. Census Bureau.





Trump vs. Obama in the final weekend of the midterms

Continued from Front

"Lie after lie, broken promise after broken promise, that's what he did," Trump said during an outdoor rally in Huntington, West Virginia. The competing campaign rallies, including Friday evening events in Georgia and Indiana, placed Trump in a virtual split-screen moment with Obama and set the stage for weekend campaign events for both party heavyweights.

Trump covets the Senate seats held by Democrats Joe Donnelly of Indiana and Joe Manchin of West Virginia, two states that the president won handily in 2016. Democrats, meanwhile, could make history by electing black governors in Florida and Georgia, and are turning to the nation's first black president to help make their case.

During the weekend, Trump will head to Montana and Florida on Saturday and Georgia and Tennessee on Sunday. Obama will return to the trail on Sunday, headlining rallies for Donnelly in Gary, Indiana, and in his hometown of Chicago for J.B. Pritzker, who is running for Illinois governor. A look at campaign activities on Friday:

OBAMA

In Miami, Obama said democracy can't work when words stop having meaning, encouraging a crowd of about 3,000 to vote for Democratic gubernatorial candidate Andrew Gillum and Sen. Bill Nelson.

Obama said voters shouldn't be bamboozled by misinformation while Republicans allow polluters to poison the environment, give tax cuts to billionaires and take health care away from millions.

During the former president's speech, a protester shouted that Obama should "denounce AN-TIFA" — the protesters who square off against neo-Nazis. Obama responded by citing anger among TRUMP'S ECONOMY Trump supporters despite their candidate's win and asked, "Why are they so



President Donald Trump speaks during at a campaign rally at Huntington Tri-State Airport, Friday, Nov. 2, 2018, in Huntington, W.Va. **Associated Press**

mad?"

That protester and two others were escorted from the venue.

TRUMP'S REBUTTAL

Trump quickly fired back at his White House predecessor, saying the former president didn't keep his promises to voters.

Trump said that Obama's assertion that "if you like your doctor, you can keep your doctor" under the Affordable Care Act proved false. Some Americans were forced to change providers or health plans under the law.

Trump also said "nobody was worse to the press than Amendment. "He's talking to the fake news," Trump said. "No, thank you!"

Trump received the type of jobs report that any president would envy heading

into the final days before the midterm elections. But will he use it to his advantage?

The October economic data released Friday packed a wallop, finding that U.S. employers added 250,000 jobs during the past month and unemployment remained at a five-decade low of 3.7 percent. More people entered the labor force and wages made their biggest gains since

Yet it landed at the end of a week in which the president has made immigration and border security the paramount issue for Republicans in the midterms, Obama," after Obama warning without offering spoke in defense of the First evidence that a caravan of immigrants is preparing about how I should be nice an "invasion" of the U.S. southern border.

> Trump called the economic numbers "incredible" on Twitter, but it raised the question of whether the president will pivot back to the economy — an ap

proach favored by embattled House Republicans or keep up his drumbeat on immigration before the election.

BOB KNIGHT

Trump was expected to campaign in Indiana with Hall of Fame basketball coach Bob Knight, who coached the Indiana University Hoosiers. Knight embraced Trump's 2016 presidential campaign, often appearing with the future president at rallies.

Trump teased Knight's appearance in a tweet, saying: "Don't tell anyone (big secret), but I will be bringing Coach Bobby Knight to Indiana. He's been a supning of the Greatest Political Movement in American History!"

President Mike Pence, a former Indiana governor, will be rallying supporters behind Republican Mike Braun, who is running

against Donnelly in a closely watched Senate contest. In West Virginia, Trump was helping Republican state Attorney General Patrick Morrisey, who is in a tight contest against Manchin.

FLORIDA HISPANICS

A group of high-powered Latinas are campaigning in Florida this weekend in two largely Latino neighborhoods to drive turnout in the midterm elections.

Actresses America Ferrera. Eva Longoria, Gina Rodriguez, Rosario Dawson and Zoe Saldana will appear at rallies in Kissimmee and Miami on Sunday.

Also attending the Kissimmee rally will be the wife porter right from the begin- of Democratic gubernatorial candidate Andrew Gillum and two U.S. representatives of Puerto Rican Trump, Knight and Vice background — Darren Soto of Florida and Nydia Velazquez of New York. Kissimmee is home to many transplants from Puerto Rico.



U.S. restores Iran sanctions lifted under Obama nuclear deal

By MATTHEW LEE **AP Diplomatic Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Trump administration on Friday restored U.S. sanctions on Iran that had been lifted under the 2015 nuclear deal, but carved out exemptions for eight countries that can still import oil from the Islamic Republic without penalty.

The sanctions take effect Monday and cover Iran's shipping, financial and energy sectors. They are the second batch the administration has re-imposed since Trump withdrew from the landmark accord in May. The 2015 deal, one of former President Barack Obama's biggest dip-Iomatic achievements, gave Iran billions of dollars in sanctions relief in exchange for curbs on its nuclear program, which many believed it was using to develop atomic weapons. Trump repeatedly denounced the gareement as the "worst ever" negotiated by the United States and said it gave Iran too much in return for too little. But proponents as well as the other parties to the deal — Britain, China, France, Germany, Russia and the European Union have vehemently defended it. The Europeans have mounted a drive to save the agreement without the U.S., fearing that the new sanctions will drive Iran to pull out and resume all of





This combination of two pictures shows U.S. President Donald Trump, left, on July 22, 2018, and Iranian President Hassan Rouhani on Feb. 6, 2018.

Associated Press

countries, which other officials said would include U.S. allies such as Turkey, Italy, India, Japan and South Korea, had made efforts to eliminate their imports but could not complete the task by Monday.

The waivers will be valid for six months, during which time the importing country can buy Iranian oil but must deposit Iran's revenue in an escrow account. Iran can spend the money but only on a narrow range of humanitarian items.

Pompeo defended the oil waivers and noted that since May, when the U.S. began to press countries to stop buying Iranian oil, Iran's exports had dropped

by more than 1 million barrels per day.

He said the Iranian economy is already reeling from the earlier sanctions, with the currency losing half its value since April and the prices of fruit, poultry, eggs and milk skyrocketina.

Some Iran hawks in Congress and elsewhere said Friday's move should have gone even further. They were hoping for Iran to be disconnected from the main international financial messaging network known as SWIFT. With limited exceptions, the re-imposed U.S. sanctions will hit Iran as well as countries that do not stop importing Iranian oil and foreign firms that do business with blacklisted Iranian entities, including its central bank, a number of private financial institutions, and state-run port and shipping firms, as well as hundreds of individual Iranian officials.

"Our ultimate aim is to compel Iran to permanently abandon its well-documented outlaw activities and behave as a normal country," Pompeo told reporters in a conference call with Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin.

Mnuchin said 700 more Iranian companies and people would be added to the sanctions rolls. Those, he said, would include more than 300 that had not been included under previous sanctions.

its nuclear work. Friday's announcement comes just days before congressional midterm elections in the U.S., allowing Trump to highlight his decision to withdraw from the deal a move that was popular among Republicans. Shortly after the announcement, Trump tweeted what looks like a movie poster image of himself that takes creative inspiration from the TV series "Game of Thrones" with the tagline "Sanctions are Coming, November 5." In a statement issued Friday night, Trump said, "Our objective is to force the regime into a clear choice: either abandon its destructive behavior or continue

down the path toward economic disaster." Secretary of State Mike

Pompeo said the sanctions are "aimed at fundamentally altering the behavior of the Islamic Republic of Iran." He has issued a list of 12 demands that Iran must meet to get the sanctions lifted that include an end to its support for terrorism and military engagement in Syria and a halt to nuclear and ballistic missile development.

Pompeo said eight nations will receive temporary waivers allowing them to continue to import Iranian petroleum products as they move to end such imports entirely. He said those

High court declines to extend halt to climate change lawsuit

By JESSICA GRESKO **Associated Press**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court on Friday declined for now to stop a lawsuit filed by young activists who say the government isn't doing enough to prevent climate change. But the high court told the made to the justices for Trump administration that the government can still petition a lower court to dismiss the case as the government had asked the high court to do.

Trial in the case had been scheduled to begin earlier this week in Eugene, Oregon, but the Supreme

Court temporarily halted The Supreme Court also the trial earlier this month. On Friday evening, the high court declined to extend the temporary halt rules. Justice Clarence to the case. The court said in a three-page, unsigned order that ordinarily the request the government the case to be dismissed has to be made to a lower court first. The high court said "adequate relief may be available" from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit. That court has previously declined requests to dismiss the case at earlier stages.

didn't rule out bringing the case back to the justices after the appeals court Thomas and Justice Neil Gorsuch said they would have extended the halt to the case.

One of the lawyers for the young people brining the case, Julia Olson, said in a statement Friday night that they have asked for an immediate status conference to get the case "back on track for trial in the next week."

The case against the government was brought by 21 young people, ages 11 to 22, who argue that government officials have known for more than 50 years that carbon pollution from fossil fuels was causing climate change and that policies on oil and gas deprive them of life, liberty and property.

The young people also say the government has failed to protect natural resources as a "public trust" for future generations. The lawsuit wants a court to order the government to take action to quickly phase out carbon dioxide emissions to a certain level by 2100 and

develop a national climate recovery plan.

The federal government under the Obama and Trump administrations has tried repeatedly to get the case dismissed since it was filed in 2015 but have so far been unsuccessful. Trump administration lawyers had argued that the lawsuit is an attempt to "redirect federal environmental and energy policies through the courts rather than through the political process, by asserting a new and unsupported fundamental due process right to certain climate conditions."



Officials: U.S. veteran homelessness declines 5 percent

By JULIE WATSON **Associated Press**

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The number of homeless veterans across the U.S. declined more than 5 percent over the past year after a slight rise in 2017, the departments of Housing and Urban Development and Veterans Affairs announced Thursday.

The decrease shows the federal government is making progress in its nearly decade-long efforts, but the problem poses a challenge in areas such as California where the cost of housing is high, officials said.

The number of homeless vets dropped to about 38,000 — about half of those counted in 2010, according to an overall count of the homeless taken in January.

As many as 64 communities and three states — Virginia, Delaware and Connecticut — effectively ended veteran homeless-

veterans in those areas had been offered homes, even if some didn't accept them.

Homelessness among female veterans fell by 10 percent from just a year

"Our nation's approach to veterans' homelessness is working," Housing and Urban Development Secretary Ben Carson said.

The Obama administration in 2010 set a goal of ending veteran homelessness by 2015, but Carson said the Trump administration will not set a specific date to reach that goal.

"The date would be as connected him with the soon as possible, I don't think I could be more specific than that," he told reporters.

Officials largely credit the finishing a college degree. progress to an approach started under the Obama a farm. administration.

It centered on a program fully any emotional needs if called the HUD-VA Supporting Housing Program, which Congress boosted funds for in 2008.

It gives homeless veterans permanent housing while

also providing them a case manager and clinical care services.

The old way required treatment for mental health issues and drug and alcohol addiction before being able to qualify for a home. Officials attributed the small uptick in 2017 largely to the high cost of housing in Los Angeles, which has the second-largest homeless population in the U.S. and the largest homeless veteran population.

HUD said veteran homelessness decreased from 2017 to 2018 in California. Veterans Affairs Secretary Robert Wilkie said he plans to visit Los Angeles this week to meet with local officials and charities to discuss what further support is needed in their efforts.

He would like to see an even bigger drop in the numbers.

"It's not good enough, but it is better." Wilkie said of 2018 numbers.

Veterans Affairs is working That means all homeless to identify vets who may have lost contact with the agency after years of living on the streets, Wilkie said.

> Marine veteran Shaun Tullar, 33, said many vets do not realize what the VA can do for them.

Tullar was experiencing post-traumatic stress from his time in combat in Afghanistan when he began using drugs after his brother, a fellow Marine, was killed in that country in 2012.

Tullar became homeless and cycled in and out of jail on drug charges until finding help through a program behind bars that

He now lives at Veterans Village of San Diego, is sober and working toward He hopes to one day own

"A person cannot address their basic needs of safety, food, water and shelter are not met," he said, adding that thanks to the support he's been given, "I have a very bright future."



Marine veteran Shaun Tullar poses for a portrait in front of the Veterans Village of San Diego Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018, in San Diego.

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A look at the troops being sent to US-Mexico border

By ROBERT BURNS and LO-LITA C. BALDOR Associated Press

washington (AP) — President Donald Trump ordered troops to the border in response to a caravan of migrants slowly making its way through Mexico toward the United States and still about 900 miles away, with many dropping out. Here's what we know so far about the military's mission:

WHAT TROOPS ARE IN-VOLVED?

More than 7,000 active duty troops have been told to deploy to Texas, Arizona and California. They are a mix of forces, including military police, an assault helicopter battalion, various communications, medical and headquarters units, combat engineers, planners and public affairs units. As of Friday, one week after the Pentagon acknowledged that Defense Secretary Jim Mattis had approved a Department of Homeland Security request for military support at the border, the troop deployment was still unfolding, with about 3,500 at staging bases in the Southwest. Of those, about 2,250 active duty troops are at staging bases in Texas, about 1,100 Marines are at Camp Pendleton in California and fewer than 200 are in Arizona. About 100 troops are actually on the border, at the port crossing near McAllen, Texas.

Most of the troops are being used to facilitate the movement of border patrol agents, house them, feed them and provide some of



Members of the U.S.military place razor wire along the U.S.-Mexico border near the McAllen-Hidalgo International Bridge, Friday, Nov. 2, 2018, in McAllen, Texas.

their protection.

WHAT IS THEIR ROLE ON THE BORDER?

The Pentagon is adamant that active duty troops will not do law enforcement, which they are forbidden from doing under the Posse Comitatus Act in the Constitution. Troops can't arrest people at the border. Their main job will be to support the Border Patrol.

This means the military will transport border patrol agents to and along the border, help them erect additional vehicle barriers and fencing along the border, assist them with communications and provide some security for border agent camps. The military also will provide the border patrol agents with medical care, pre-packaged meals,

and temporary housing. **WILL TROOPS BE ARMED?**

Yes, many of them will be, mainly for self-protection. Military police at the border will be armed, although they will have non-lethal options for dealing with unexpected conflict. Pentagon officials say they are planning for a worstcase scenario of violence that could force soldiers to rely on their training to make split-second decisions to defend themselves or civilians. MPs might, for example, be dispatched to provide armed security for military engineers placing barricades at locations where there are no border patrol agents to provide protection.

One day after Trump suggested soldiers on the

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southwest border may open fire if migrants throw rocks at them, he insisted Friday that he meant that rock-throwers would be arrested. "I didn't say 'shoot,'" he told reporters at the White House. Either way, his scenario of violence captures in a nutshell the risk of using active duty troops for domestic security: Their mission does not include confronting migrants, but some may be unable to avoid it.

The commander in charge of the military operation, Air Force Gen. Terrence O'Shaughnessy, head of U.S. Northern Command, said earlier this week that handling migrants will be primarily the job of the Customs and Border Protection agency. But he ac-

knowledged "there could be incidental interaction" between migrants and soldiers. In light of that possibility, the soldiers "are going to be fully trained in how to do that," he said.

Lt. Col. Jamie Davis, a Pentagon spokesman, said the military will not disclose details of its rules on the use of force.

DOES CONGRESS SUPPORT THIS MISSION?

With members of Congress focused mainly on Tuesday's midterm elections, reaction has been mild. A group of senior House Democrats wrote a letter to Mattis on Thursday expressing opposition to the military mission and demanding answers on its cost. The deployment of active duty troops, they wrote, "only exacerbates the potential to unnecessarily escalate the situation."

Chuck Hagel, a former Republican senator and Army combat veteran who served as defense secretary under President Barack Obama, told CNN the mission is "folly" because there is "no need, no threat."

Retired Army Gen. Martin Dempsey, who preceded Marine Gen. Joseph Dunford as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, took double-barreled aim at the border mission. Writing on Twitter Thursday, he called the military mission a "wasteful deployment of over-stretched Soldiers and Marines" that would be "made much worse" if they used force disproportional to the threat they face on the border.

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Pipe bomb suspect agrees to NY transfer, no bail

By CURT ANDERSON **AP Legal Affairs Writer**

MIAMI (AP) — The suspect accused of sending pipe bombs to prominent critics of President Trump agreed Friday to be transferred to New York to face charges, while the FBI said an additional package was found addressed to Democratic billionaire donor Tom Stev-

Attorneys for Cesar Sayoc said Friday in Miami federal court that it's better if his lawyers in New York can take the case as soon as possible. They could still seek a bail hearing there, but prosecutors say he should remain jailed, given the magnitude of the charges and the strong evidence against him.

"We wanted to make sure that all of his constitutional rights were preserved," said attorney James Benjamin

after the hearing. "We feel we've done all we can." Sayoc has been accused

of sending 15 improvised explosive devices to numerous Democrats, Trump critics and media outlets. The FBI said Friday an additional package similar to the earlier ones was recovered at a postal facility near San Francisco. The package discovered late Thursday was the second addressed to Steyer, who has done TV ads calling for Trump's impeachment. None of the packages have exploded and no one was injured.

The timing of Sayoc's transfer is uncertain. It can happen quickly or take weeks, and is not usually announced ahead of time by the U.S. Marshals Service, Benjamin said. Even defense lawyers are not informed.

"Your guess is as good as mine," he said. "The government wants to get him up there as soon as they can." Prosecutors left court without speaking to reporters. Sayoc was arrested a week ago outside a South Florida auto parts store in a white van in which he had been living, a vehicle covered with stickers of Trump and showing images of some of the president's opponents with red crosshairs over their faces.

Sayoc faces nearly 50 years in prison if convicted on five federal charges that were filed in New York because some of the devices were recovered there.

Sayoc's lawyers decided not to seek release on bail after prosecutors released a letter outlining more evidence against him, including DNA linking him to 10 of the explosive devices and



In this Aug. 30, 2015, file photo released by the Broward County Sheriff's office, Cesar Sayoc is seen in a booking photo, in Miami.

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fingerprints on two of them. Other evidence includes online searches Sayoc did on his laptop and cellphone for addresses and photos of some of his intended targets, which included former President Barack Obama, former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, former Vice

President Joe Biden, California Sen. Kamala Harris and New Jersey Sen. Cory Booker. Packages were also mailed to CNN in New York and Atlanta.

The laptop also has a file with the address in Sunrise, Florida, of the office of U.S. Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz, former chairwoman of the Democratic National Committee. That office was used as the return address on the packages containing the pipe bombs, according to the FBI. The computer file was labeled "Debbie W.docx". Benjamin, however, said the prosecution letter does not prove anything yet. He noted that it refers to "possible" DNA matches to Sayoc. "The word flimsy actually still applies," Benjamin told reporters. "We can't do anything but speculate now. And it's too early."

Indiana legislators push for school bus cameras after crash

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Indiana legislators are pushing to add cameras on the outside of school buses after police say a driver ignored a stop arm and crashed into children crossing a road, killing three and critically injuring another.

Republican Rep. Jim Pressel said he was already working on such legislation before the accident Tuesday morning in Fulton County.

Indiana State Police Sgt. Tony Slocum said the pickup's driver, Alyssa Shepherd, 24, of Rochester, was arrested and charged with three counts of reckless homicide and one misdemeanor count of passing a school bus when an arm

signal device is extended, causing bodily injury.

Pressel said bus drivers have told him vehicles frequently illegally pass school buses that have their stop arms deployed. "It's a huge problem," he

More than 3,000 drivers have violated the state's school bus stop-arm law, according to the Indiana Department of Education. Under the law, an officer must witness the violation to ticket someone, according to Indiana State Rep. Ed Delaney, who Police Sgt. John Perrine.

the perfect position to see all years ago. "I just don't that that stop arm is out to see the relation, the location of that car, as they're passing the bus," Perrine to advance a bill facilitat-

The cameras would be mounted to the outside of buses and would take pictures of drivers who pass when the stop arm is deployed. Law enforcement agencies could then use the pictures to issue charges or citations.

Previous attempts to employ stop-arm cameras in Indiana have run into roadblocks.

"The concern expressed at the time was about privacy," said Democratic co-sponsored stop-arm "We almost have to be in camera legislation severshare that."

Republican Sen. Bassler said he also hopes



This undated family photo provided by Elgin Ingle shows Alivia Stahl, center, and her twin brothers, Xzavier and Mason Ingle. **Associated Press**

ing misdemeanor charges to people taking action. against drivers who commit stop-arm violations. "I hate to think of this," he

said. "But tragedies lead

Maybe something like this would have greater likelihood now because of what happened."



UN chief urges Yemen combatants to seize momentum for peace

By EDITH M. LEDERER **Associated Press** UNITED NATIONS (AP) -

Secretary-General U.N. Antonio Guterres urged Yemen's warring parties on Friday to seize the momentum for peace and avert what could be the world's worst famine in decades.

The U.N. chief's appeal came days after the Trump administration demanded a cease-fire and the launch of U.N.-led political talks to end the war between a Saudi-led coalition allied with Yemen's government and Houthi Shiite rebels backed by Iran. U.S. Defense Secretary Jim Mattis called for a halt to hostilities within 30 days.

Guterres urged the coalition and the Houthis "to overcome obstacles and resolve differences" at U.N.-facilitated talks later this month.

"Violence must stop everywhere," preferably immediately, he said.

But the secretary-general stressed that the U.N.'s immediate priority is to stop the bombing in populated areas and preserve critical infrastructure including in the key port of Hodeida, the main entry point for international aid and 70 percent of food imports that Yemen relies on.

Guterres spoke following the coalition's announcement earlier Friday that it bombed an air base adjacent to the airport in the is seeing more and more



In this Oct. 1, 2018, photo, a severely malnourished boy rests on a hospital bed at the Aslam Health Center, Hajjah, Yemen.

Associated Press

rebel-held capital Sanaa allegedly being used by the Houthis to launch drone and ballistic missile attacks into Saudi Arabia. Intense fighting was also reported in Hodeida province.

"It is very important that no missiles or other forms of aggression are sent against Saudi Arabia, and it's very important to stop bombing in urban areas, and it's very important to preserve basic infrastructure," the U.N. chief said. "That is why we are appealing for the kind of military action that is taking place from both sides to end."

He said the United Nations

countries engaged in helping to create conditions for the warring parties to understand not only the need for a cessation of hostilities but for serious political discussions. The diplomatic initiative is being driven by the increasing threat of famine, but also by international outrage over the murder of U.S.-based Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi which has put a spotlight on Saudi Arabia's role in the war in Yemen.

Russia's U.N. Ambassador Vassily Nebenzia told several reporters Friday that Moscow has "been advocating for the early, immediate cessation of hostilities wherever — in and around Hodeida, elsewhere, because we believe in a political solution." "That's the only thing that can bring peace back to Yemen," he stressed. Nebenzia said U.N. special envoy for Yemen, Martin Griffiths, is "working on a peace plan that might bring the parties together and finally finish this useless conflict" and Russia wants to hear from him "on new avenues that he's exploring."

The Security Council is expected to hear from Griffiths on Nov. 16 and diplomats say the U.S., Britain and France are drafting a resolution to support peace efforts and address the humanitarian crisis.

Nebenzia said there has been talk in the council about supporting the peace process. As to whether this is the right time, he said: "Possibly. Let's see. We know that pressure is being mounted from all sides on the parties to stop hostilities."

The conflict in the Arab world's poorest country began with the 2014 takeover of Sanaa by the Houthis, which toppled the internationally recognized government. A Saudi-led coalition allied with the government has been fighting the Houthis since 2015.

Civilians have borne the brunt of the conflict, which has killed over 10,000 people and sparked a cholera epidemic and the world's worst humanitarian crisis.

U.N. humanitarian chief Mark Lowcock warned last week that "there is a clear and present danger of an imminent and great big famine engulfing Yemen" that could affect 14 million people — half of the country's population.

"Yemen today stands on a precipice," Guterres said Friday, and "the urgency of the humanitarian crisis leaves no room for complacency."

He urged all countries to prevent "the already dire conditions from deteriorating into the worst famine we have seen in decades."

UK Brexit chief seeks elusive N Ireland border solution



In this Monday, Oct. 1, 2018 file photo, Britain's Brexit Secretary Dominic Raab addresses delegates during a speech at the Conservative Party Conference at the ICC, in Birmingham, central England.

Associated Press

By JILL LAWLESS **Associated Press**

LONDON (AP) — Britain's Brexit chief met politicians from both sides of Northern Ireland's political divide Friday, but there was little sign of a breakthrough on the Irish border impasse the European Union.

Brexit Secretary Dominic Raab met with leaders of the pro-British Democratborder between the U.K.'s Raab said after his meet- the United Kingdom."

Northern Ireland and EU ings in Northern Ireland. member Ireland.

Britain and the EU agree that after Brexit there must be no customs posts or barriers that could disrupt businesses and residents on either side of the border ish government, won't and undermine Northern accept that approach that is frustrating divorce Ireland's hard-won peace because it means there talks between the U.K. and process. But they don't would be customs and agree on how to guarantee that.

Britain "will not accept and the rest of the U.K. any Brexit proposals that ic Unionist Party and Irish threaten the economic nationalists Sinn Fein, and or constitutional integrity visited the all-but-invisible of the United Kingdom,"

The EU has proposed keeping Northern Ireland inside a customs union with the bloc. But the Democratic Unionist Party, which props up the Conservative Britregulatory checks between Northern Ireland

Raab said Britain wanted "frictionless trade with the EU" and also "to preserve the internal market within





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New Caledonia in Pacific to vote on independence from France

By SYLVIE CORBET **Associated Press**

PARIS (AP) — New Caledonia, a French archipelago in the South Pacific, is preparing for an independence referendum — the last step in a three-decades-long decolonization effort.

Sunday's vote is key to settling tensions between the native Kanaks, who once suffered from strict segregation policies, and descendants of European colonizers. It is also a test of the depth of the links between France and the territory, which lies east of Australia and has about 270,000 inhabitants.

Voters have to answer the question "Do you want New Caledonia to gain full sovereignty and become independent?" Observers say that, based on past electoral results and polls, voters are likely to back remaining in France.

The territory enjoys a large degree of autonomy, but relies on the French state for its defense, police, foreign affairs, justice and ed-



This Monday, May 9, 2018 file photo shows a general view of the bay of Noumea, the capital of New Caledonia with the yachting port in the background. **Associated Press**

ucation.

The referendum is the result of a process that started 30 years ago after years of violence that pitched proindependence Kanak activists against those willing to remain in France.

In 1988, 19 Kanak tribesmen French historian Isabelle

died after they took French police hostage in a cave on the New Caledonian island of Ouvea. Four soldiers were also killed.

The violence represented a "tremendous shock" and a "key moment" for France, Merle said. "This is the first time a carefully thoughtthrough peaceful decolonization process has been considered," she said.

The Ouvea events prompted a peace deal that year between rival loyalist and pro-independence

tions that laid the ground for the referendum.

Visiting the territory in May, French President Emmanuel Macron acknowledged the "pain of colonization" and paid tribute to the courage of those involved in the peace process.

He also handed the Caledonian government a document that stated the archipelago became a French possession in 1853 a gesture intended to symbolize the final chapter in the period of colonization. "We are no longer in a time of possession, but a time of choice", he said.

Under French colonial rule, the Kanaks were forced to live on reserves in remote areas, pay specific taxes and do mandatory work for very low wages. They had to respect curfews and were not allowed into some places reserved for European settlers.

Merle, whose researches focus on France's decolonization process, said this led to "a big gap between the local communities."

2 stabbed in fight at Sony Music's London HQ; both arrested

Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — Two men were stabbed Friday when a fight erupted between kitchen staff at the London headquarters of Sony Mu-

Police said two men suffering from stab wounds were arrested on suspicion of causing grievous bodily harm. Police said the injuries are not life-threatening. Armed police officers were

sent to Derry St. in Kensington at about 11 a.m. amid for the Mail on Sunday reports of a stabbina, and newspaper just across the the building was evacuated as a precaution, the ers running from the build-Metropolitan Police force said. It said the incident was not being treated as terrorism and no guns were involved. Photos showed a large number of police cars and ambulances in front of the building in an upscale London neighborhood.

Simon Neville, who works street, said he saw working and a man in a red jacket being tackled to the ground.

Sony Music said "two members of the catering team were involved in a violent altercation. The incident is now in the hands of the Metropolitan Police."



Police officers and security watch as people re-enter a building after a stabbing incident in central London, Friday, Nov. 2, 2018. **Associated Press**



IS attack on Christian pilgrims in Egypt kills 7

By SAMY MAGDY HAMZA HENDAWI **Associated Press**

MINYA, Egypt (AP) - Islamic militants on Friday ambushed three buses carrying Christian pilgrims on their way to a remote desert monastery south of the Egyptian capital of Cairo, killing seven and wounding 19, according to the Coptic Orthodox Church and the Interior Ministry.

All but one of those killed were members of the same family, according to a list of the victims' names released by the church, which said among the dead were a boy and a girl, age 15 and 12 respectively.

The local Islamic State affiliate which spearheads militants fighting security forces in the Sinai Peninsula claimed responsibility for the attack in a statement, according to SITE, a U.S.based group that monitors and translates militants' statements. It said the attack was revenae for the imprisonment by Egyptian authorities of "our chaste sisters." It did not elaborate. It said the attack left 13 Christians killed and another 18 wounded, but it was not immediately possible to independently verify the claim or reconcile the discrepancy in the num-



Coptic Christians chant slogans during a protest following an attack on a bus carrying Christian pilgrims on their way to a remote desert monastery, in Minya, Egypt, Friday, Nov. 2, 2018.

ber of dead and wounded Twitter account that Frigiven by the group and the

church. The Islamic State has repeatedly vowed to go after Egypt's Christians as punishment for their support of President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi. As defense min-

ister, el-Sissi led the military's 2013 ouster of an Islamist president, whose one-year rule proved divisive. It has claimed responsibility for a string of deadly attacks on Christians dating back to

El-Sissi, who has made the economy and security his office in 2014, wrote on his cal and foreign youth to

December 2016.

day's attack was designed to harm the "nation's solid fabric" and pledged to continue fighting terrorism. He later offered his condolences when he spoke by telephone with Pope Tawadros II, spiritual leader of Egypt's Orthodox Christians and a close el-Sissi

The attack is likely to cast a dark shadow on one of el-Sissi's showpieces the World Youth Forum which opens Saturday in the Red Sea resort of Sharm el-Sheikh and hopes top priorities since taking to draw thousands of lo-

discuss upcoming projects. with Egypt's 63-year-old leader taking center stage. "They want to embarrass el-Sissi and show that the state is unable to protect the Copts," said Fr. Begemy Naseem Nasr, the priest of the church of Saint Mary in Minya. "Egypt is the target here and we all know that." Friday's attack is the second to target pilgrims heading to the St. Samuel the Confessor monastery in as many years, indicating that security measures in place since then are either inadequate or have become lax. The previous attack in May 2017 left

Associated Press

nearly 30 people dead. It is also the latest by IS to target Christians in churches in Cairo, the Mediterranean city of Alexandria and Tanta in the Nile Delta north of the capital.

Those attacks left at least 100 people dead and led to tighter security around Christian places of worship and Church-linked facilities. They have also underlined the vulnerability of minority Christians in a country where many Muslims have since the 1970s grown religiously conservative.

The Interior Ministry, which oversees the police, said Friday's attackers used secondary dirt roads to reach the buses carrying the pilgrims, who were near the monastery at the time of the attack. Only pilgrims have been allowed on the main road leading to the monastery since last year's attack.

The Interior Ministry maintained that only one bus was attacked, but the latest statement by the church said three buses were targeted and put the death toll at 7 and the wounded at 19, including two in critical condition.

The Interior Ministry said police were pursuing the attackers, who fled the scene.

Pakistan's 'father of Taliban' cleric killed in knife attack

RIAZ KHAN Associated Press ISLAMABAD (AP) — Prominent Pakistani cleric Maulana Samiul Haq, also known as the "father of the Taliban," was killed in a knife attack at his home in the garrison city of Rawalpindi

on Friday, his family and

police said.

By MUNIR AHMED

Haq's son, Hamidul Haq, said his father was alone in his bedroom when he was attacked by an assailant, who escaped undetected. "My father has been martyred. He was alone at his home. His guard had gone out minutes before the attack and upon his return he saw my father in critical

condition," he told report-



In this Feb.15, 2014, file photo, Pakistani religious cleric Samiul Haq, left, talks with Syed Munawar Hasan, the head of the Jamaat-e-Islami party, during a press conference in Lahore, Pakistan.

Associated Press

taken to a nearby hospital.

ers.

where he died. Yousaf Shah, Haq's spokes-

man, told The Associated Police say Haq, 81, was Press that neither the attacker nor their motive was yet known.

Soon after his death, scores

of Haq's supporters rioted, damaging shops and vehicles in Islamabad and Rawalpindi. Haq's family appealed to his followers to remain peaceful.

well-known religious scholar with a large following among radical Islamists, Haq was the head of his faction of the Jamiat-e-Ulema Islam (JUI) party.

Hag was a revered teacher with vast influence over Pakistan and Afghanistan's Taliban, many of whose leaders and commanders studied a strict interpretation of Islam at his Haggani seminary, earning him the "father of the Taliban" title. Sirajuddin Haggani, the deputy leader of the Haqqani network, a U.S.-

designated terrorist organization, was one of dozens of Taliban leaders who graduated from Haq's seminary, located in the conservative Khyber Pukhtunkhwa province on the border with Afghanistan.

In recent weeks, dozens of Afahan clerics had appealed to Haq to use his influence with Afghanistan's Taliban to plot a path to peace that would end the 17-year-long war there.

Pakistan's President Arif Alvi and Prime Minister Imran Khan condemned Haq's killing.

"We lost a great scholar and religious leader today," said Khan in a statement from China where he is on an official visit.



New details highlight Lion Air jet's problems before crash

By NINIEK KARMINI STEPHEN WRIGHT **Associated Press**

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP)

- New details about the crashed Lion Air jet's previous flight cast more doubt on the Indonesian airline's claim to have fixed technical problems, as hundreds of personnel searched the sea for a fifth day Friday for victims and the plane's fu-

The brand new Boeing 737 MAX 8 plane plunged into the Java Sea early Monday, just minutes after taking off from the Indonesian capital, Jakarta, killing all 189 people on board.

Herson, head of the Bali-Nusa Tenggara Airport Authority, said the pilot on the plane's previous flight on Sunday from Bali requested to return to the airport not long after takeoff but then reported the problem had been resolved. Several passengers have described the problem as a terrifying loss of altitude.

Lion Air, a budget carrier that is the biggest domestic airline in Indonesia, has said the unspecified problem was fixed after Sunday's flight, but the fatal flight's pilots also made a "return to base" request not long after takeoff.

"Shortly after requesting RTB, the pilot then contacted the control tower again



Shoes and debris retrieved from the waters near where a Lion Air jet is believed to have crashed are laid out for investigation at Tanjung Priok Port in Jakarta, Indonesia, Friday, Nov. 2, 2018. **Associated Press**

to inform that the plane had run normally and would not return" to Bali's Ngurah Rai airport on Sunday, Herson, who uses a single name, told The Associated Press. "The captain said the problem was resolved and he decided to continue the trip to Jakarta."

Data from flight-tracking websites show both flights had highly erratic speed and altitude after takeoff, though confirmation is required from data recorded by the aircraft's "black box" flight recorders.

website published a minute-by-minute summary of what it said were the conversations between air traffic control and the pilots of Monday's fatal flight, who reported a "flight control problem" and were unsure of their altitude.

Asked about the accuracy of the report, National Transportation Safety Committee deputy head Haryo Satmiko said it had "similarities" with the information received "legally" by investigators.

Officials displayed one of Indonesia's Tempo news the jet's two flight recorders at a news conference Thursday evening, later confirmed to be the flight data recorder, and said they would immediately attempt to download information and begin an analysis.

But progress has been hampered by the black box not being fully intact and it needs special handling to ensure its data survive, a process that is continuing, according to the National Transport Safety Committee. It said the "crash-survivable memory unit" was opened and washed and

some of its wiring will need to be replaced and a new shell provided from Lion Air to enable a download of data.

"In principle, all data we have obtained, including flight data and air navigation, and also from other sources — we find that there have indeed been problems" with the plane, Satmiko said. "We will prove more technical problems with data recorded in the black box." Satmiko said investigators had already contacted the pilot of the plane's Sunday flight.

One of them, Diah Mardani, told a television program earlier this week that after takeoff "the plane suddenly fell, then rose, then fell again harder and

"All the passengers started shouting, 'God is Great,'" she said. "The atmosphere was very tense."

She said she was traveling with a group of more than 50 colleagues and many were crying with relief after landing in Jakarta.

A team from the U.S. National Transportation Safety Board including Boeing experts has joined the Indonesian investigation. Indonesian investigators will also travel to the U.S. to meet with the designers of the new-generation Boeing jet.

Hundreds of personnel and dozens of vessels including specialized ships with sonar and other detection technology are involved in the search effort in seas northeast of Jakarta. Four ping locators — which are lowered into the sea to listen for the black box's signal — are now being used to locate the cockpit voice recorder after an additional unit was contributed by

More than 60 body bags containing human remains have been sent to police medical experts for identification since the search began, but as of Thursday only one victim has been identified and buried. Families of those on board have offered their DNA for testing.

Vietnam to ratify Pacific Rim trade pact

Associated Press

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) — HA-NOI, Vietnam (AP) — Vietnamese President Nguyen Phu Trong on Friday submitted a Pacific Rim trade pact to the National Assembly for approval, the government said.

The Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership will take effect at the year's end after Australia became the sixth nation to ratify it, earlier this week.

President Donald Trump pulled out of the pact just days after taking office last year. The remaining 11 members account for more than 13 percent of the world's GDP.



Vietnamese President Nguyen Phu Trong addresses the National Assembly in Hanoi, Vietnam, Friday, Nov. 2, 2018.

Associated Press

lawmakers, Vietnam's strong commit-Trong said the pact reflects ment to reform and com-

prehensive international integration.

It also "affirms Vietnam's role and important geo-political position in Southeast Asia as well as Asia Pacific," the government website quoted Trong as telling the national assembly.

But the pact presents challenges for communist-ruled Vietnam and will require adjustments for its legal and other institutions, he said. Addressing the assembly, Foreign Minister Pham Binh Minh, who is also deputy prime minister, cited a government study as saying the trade pact will boost Vietnam's GDP by 1.3 percentage points. Exports will also gain momentum.



In migrant caravan, kids and parents struggle with long trek

By CHRISTOPHER SHERMAN **Associated Press**

NILTEPEC, Mexico (AP) —

Toddlers slump in strollers bouncing across the rough asphalt, and infants only a few weeks old jiggle in their fathers' arms.

Others, limp from exhaustion and nearly too big to be carried, are slung across their mothers' chests like sacks of grain, sweaty hair plastered to their heads.

There are hundreds of children traveling in the caravan of Central American migrants.

That number has fluctuated somewhat as the group's size has grown and diminished, but kids of all ages are still everywhere and at risk of illness, dehydration and other dangers.

And if it's exhausting for children, it's perhaps even more so for their parents trying to care for them as they walk long hours in the sun, sleep on the ground outdoors and rely on donations of food and clothing to get by.

Pamela Valle, a 28-year-old from El Progreso, Honduras, said no child should have to undertake a migration like this. But unable to find work back home, she said she had no choice but to leave and take 5-year-old Eleonor with her.

Each day when they arrive in a new town on the long trek across the steamy southern Mexico countryside, she looks first for a sheltered place to sleep.

On this day that was a red tarp that a group of migrants stretched across a playground in the main square of the southern town of Tapanatepec.

Then she and Eleonor went in search of food and bathrooms.

"I don't think you can prepare children psychologigame, like telling them it's a vacation," Valle said, adding that it has been hard on Eleonor. "It's not right, but sometimes the situation obliges you."

With Tuesday's U.S. midterm elections just days away, President Donald Trump

up his rhetoric against the caravan of some 4,000 migrants, repeatedly ham-

has continued to ramp After failing to persuade Mexican authorities to provide buses that would have whisked them hundreds

wouldn't lose them. A toddler leaned against his older sister, playing with a tiny plastic truck on the edge



A man holding his son tries to flag down a passing truck for a free ride, as the caravan moves north of Pijijiapan, Chiapas state, Mexico, after dawn, Friday, Oct. 26, 2018.

Associated Press

mering Democrats and talking of sending as many as 15,000 U.S. troops to the southern border — more than double the number of migrants in this group and three other much smaller ones following in its footsteps hundreds of miles behind.

In a lengthy speech on Thursday, Trump promised an executive order next week that would automatically deny asylum to migrants who try to enter the United States illegally between ports of entry. U.S. immigration laws currently allow migrants to seek asylum no matter how they arrive in the U.S.

Unless they unexpectedly find some way of traveling faster — and Mexican officials have shown no inclination to facilitate that — they are still weeks away cally, but we have to in from reaching the U.S. camps in town squares and some way make it like a border. Thousands have already dropped out, applying for asylum in Mexico or accepting free bus rides home, and many more are expected to do the same. A caravan earlier this year fizzled to just about 200 who actually made it to the Tijuana-San Diego border.

of miles ahead to Mexico City, the migrants were on the move again on foot Thursday, hitchhiking and scrounging rides when they could find them.

Their goal for the day was to trek 40 miles (65 kilometers) to reach the town of Matias Romero in Oaxaca state, still more than 840 miles (1,350 kilometers) to the nearest U.S. border crossing at McAllen, Texas. For families the long trek has imposed a particularly grueling routine that has taken a toll after more than two weeks.

The migrants rise by 3 a.m. each day to take advantage of cooler temperatures.

Parents try to feed kids who are awake while letting those small enough to carry or put in a stroller sleep.

Since the group usually most include some sort of playground, children run around the monkey bars in the dark while their parents pack.

On a recent day, one woman walked with a length of black cord tied to the wrists of her daughter and another girl so she

of the highway, while their mother tried to flag down a passing truck.

Still, as young children do, many found ways to lighten the difficult journey with imaginary play.

After arriving in Tapanatepec's main plaza, Evelin Flores, a spunky 7-yearold from Tela, Honduras, set to playing her favorite game of "stylist," combing everyone's hair as she loves to do back home. Flores said she sings the traditional Spanish folk song "La Cucaracha," to while away the hours on the road.

"It's only that it's really tiresome to walk," she said.

Standing on the steps of the town's church, 4-yearold Madelin held a small bible and pretended to preach with Pentecostal fervor, waving her arms and stomping back and forth. Suddenly she grabbed a medicine bottle and, holding it like a microphone, let out a scream.

"She's very dramatic," her mother Mileybi Ramos said, laughing at her daughter's antics.

Under a sheet of black plastic stretched taut with rocks to weigh it down, 4-yearold Eipril Arguijo Gonzalez flopped onto her 17-yearold brother's bare chest, giggled uncontrollably when he grabbed her and then popped back up to resume pacing around her small space on a church patio where her family was spending the night in the town of Niltepec.

"She acts like we're on vacation," said her brother, Jonny. His twin, Jordy, chimed in that in each where they've stopped, Eipril calls the river the beach.

For the Arguijo family, the trip has been hardest on 10-year-old Keneth, who is too old to be carried or pushed in a stroller and knows too much to think this is any kind of vacation. After covering dozens of miles on foot, both of Keneth's feet were shredded with cuts and blisters and he went to a medical tent to have them bandaged.

Despite his tender age, he was part of the family meeting in Tegucigalpa, the Honduran capital, when the family decided to flee.

Jonny and Jordy had left with their father in August because the gang controlling their neighborhood was trying to force them to sell drugs.

They made it as far as the town of Tenosique in Mexico's Tabasco state, not far from the Guatemalan border. But the gang was threatening their other siblings and mother back home, so they returned for

"Since they were looking for us to sell drugs, they went looking to beat Keneth up," Jordy said.

If they make it to the United States, the twins hope to return to school.

The brothers were a year away from finishing high school when their parents pulled them out for safety reasons.

"First we're going to have to find a place to stay," Jordy said. "Afterward we'll make a little money to buy a house and live normally with our family."



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Love me, sterilize me campaign closes for 2018



ORANJESTAD — Love me, Sterilize me is a program by **Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort** which was launched in 2015 as contribution to the process of sterilizing cats and creole dogs in Aruba.

Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort together with TPEF and Aruba Tourism Authority helps covering the costs

of sterilizing in order to help reduce the amounts of dogs and cats on the streets. The Love me, Sterilize me campaign has been going on for 3 years now. Thousands of dogs and cats have been spayed and neutered during these years. This year only a total of over 4,000 have been sterilized.

This registered figure is proof that people of Aruba have become more aware of



the necessity of sterilizing these animals. At the same time the numbers show how alarming this situation is on the island. At the beginning of the year Love me, Sterilize me has made a great sum available in order to finance this, but the amount of registered dogs and cats was so high that the sum available was

still not enough. This is why the campaign has been closed for 2018 as of the 1st of November. Next year the Love me, Sterilize me campaign will be back with greater efforts to make the community aware of this problem and work towards fixing this dogs and cats problem we have in Aruba.



A Musical Peek at History



ORANJESTAD — Aruba has its own typical and popular historical music instrument: the Cylinder Piano or in local language Caha di Orgel. Tonight you can actually enjoy a cultural available. Zoutman & Willem III Toren organize their Festival di Caha di Orgel.

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cal music of this period of the year, Gaita, is presented to you live by music group Mama Rosa. There is also room for the inner spirit as local food and drinks are

evening at the Historical The cylinder piano, was al-Museum in Oranjestad. Fort ready known in England at the beginning of the 19th century. This music box spread rapidly across Europe and reached Venezuela via Italian miarants. In those days, there were intensive trading relations

between Curacao and Venezuela. A native of Curacao who was staying in Venezuela at the time was Horacio Sprock. He brought the 'ka'i orgel' from Barquisimeto, Venezuela, to our country and, together with his brother Luis, started a local workshop here. The first 'ka'i orgels' of Curaçao and Aruba were made in Italy. They could be heard during the celebrations in the salons of the local elite, where they were accustomed to dancing to piano music and music for strings. Soon this music spread over the working-class districts of Otrobanda and Punda and to the conuco, the countryside. For their celebrations, people would hire a ka'i orgel in town. Until the thirties, it was transported by means of horse and cart or a donkey, and afterwards a motorized vehicle. The ka'i orgel -a combination of the sound of a piano, kwarta, bass and guitarwas soon enriched with the

rhythmic instrument of African origin, the wiri or metal scraper. In the ka'i orgel tradition of Curação, Aruba and Bonaire, these two instruments belong inseparably to each other.

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More information about the Caha di Orgel of Aruba is to be seen and heard at YouTube: Tesoro Arubano ren for more information.

where a series of 10 short documentaries is presented dealing with cultural historical topics of Aruba among others the Caha di Orgel.

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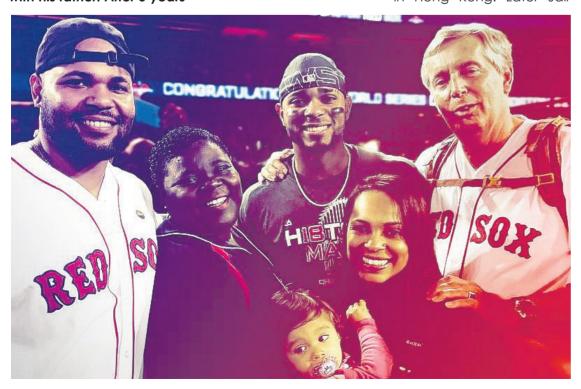
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Xander Bogaerts meets his father after 23 years

LOS ANGELES - Since the start of his career in mayor league many people were wondering "who is the father of Xander Bogaerts." Bogaerts was always seen with his mother Sandra, his twin brother Jair, and his sister, Chandra but never with his father. After 5 years

Red Sox the mystery has Bogaerts' father is alive and resides in Hong Kong. Last week, Bogaerts met his father personally after 23 years.

of playing with the Boston The last time Bogaerts saw his dad was when he was been solved, thanks to a only 3 years old. During the report by Bleacher Report. past, there where several attempts for reunite but Bogaerts didn't feel he was ready for it. The first one to meet with their father was the sister Chandra who lives in Hong Kong. Later Jair







also made contact with his father. Finally, this year prior to the World Series, Xander took the initiative to contact his father and asked him if he would like to fly to Los Angeles with his wife for the Series. It was strange at

first, but it went very well. Xander felt he was mature enough and ready to connect back with his father Jan Maarten Bogaerts. They all went for dinner together and started a new father-son relationship.



SPORTS









Simone Biles of the U.S. holds her silver medal after the women's uneven bars final on the first day of the apparatus finals of the Gymnastics World Championships at the Aspire Dome in Doha, Qatar, Friday, Nov. 2, 2018.

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Biles sets record by picking up 13th world championship gold

DOHA, Qatar (AP) — Simone Biles made history by picking up her record 13th career gold medal at the world gymnastics championships when she cruised to victory in the vault final on Friday. Yet it's the silver she captured on uneven bars that the Olympic and world champion may cherish more. For years Biles viewed bars with a mixture of skepticism and scorn. There was a point in time she admits she would have been OK with taking a "chainsaw" to every bars set in the country. Those days are over. Helped in part by the influence of new head coach Laurent Landi, Biles now considers the event a challenge more than a chore. Maybe that's why the smile on the podium during the medal ceremony after she came in second to Belgium's Nina Derwael was so wide.

Clippers can't stop Joel Embiid in loss to 76ers Philadelphia 76ers center Joel Embiid (21) dunks the ball during the second half on an NBA basketball game against the Los Angeles Clippers, Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018, in Philadelphia. The 76ers won 122-1113. **Associated Press** Page 19



Djokovic and Federer win to set up Paris Masters semifinal

By JEROME PUGMIRE **AP Sports Writer**

PARIS (AP) Novak Djokovic remains on course for a fifth Paris Masters title after beating Marin Cilic 4-6, 6-2, 6-3 on Friday to set up a semifinal against Roger Federer.

Federer advanced to their 47th career meeting by beating Kei Nishikori 6-4, 6-4, his sixth straight win against the Japanese play-

Chasing his 100th career title after winning the Swiss Indoors last Sunday, the 20time Grand Slam champion was hardly troubled. He saved a break point with a sharp volley at the net when serving for the set at 5-4 and then broke Nishikori at the start of the second set to take firm control.

Federer has won this tournament only once, back in 2011, and has not played here since 2015. He was given a huge ovation by the crowd after his win.

Now he has to find a way past Diokovic, the Wimbledon and U.S. Open champion who has beaten Federer in their past three meetings and leads him 24-22 overall.

Djokovic, who is guaranteed to take the No. 1 rank-



Roger Federer of Switzerland returns the ball to Kei Nishikori of Japan during their quarterfinal match of the Paris Masters tennis tournament at the Bercy Arena in Paris, France, Friday, Nov. 2,

first set.

Cilic had chances to break him in the fifth and seventh games and finally did so in the ninth when Djokovic hit a backhand long.

An ace gave Cilic set point and he took it when Djokovic sent a backhand wide.

ing on Monday, struggled Djokovic broke for 3-1 in in 18 meetings.

on his serve for much of the the second set and did not look back.

> In the third set, a Cilic crosscourt forehand winner saw him break a for 2-1 lead. Djokovic broke his racket in

> frustration and then broke Cilic straight back, after which the momentum shifted back in his favor as Cilic lost to him for the 16th time

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"It was a very intense match," Djokovic said. "I was kind of going up and down. I'm really pleased to overcome this kind of challenge."

It was also Djokovic's 21st consecutive win since losing to Stefanos Tsitsipas in the third round of the Rogers Cup in August.

Earlier, Dominic Thiem beat the end of the first set.

defending champion Jack Sock 4-6, 6-4, 6-4.

The Austrian served out the match and clinched victory on his first match point when Sock hit a big forehand long.

"I'm in the semifinals of a Masters 1000 only for the fourth time," Thiem said. "It means a lot for me because I didn't do too well in the previous years in this part of the season. So it's something really special to reach the semifinals."

Thiem broke the American in the fifth game of the third set, and then showed good composure to save two break points of his own at 15-40 in the eighth game.

"We always have to be aware of getting broken here. Somehow a lot of breaks are happening," Thiem said. "It's a little bit comfortable to return here."

The sixth-seeded Thiem, meanwhile, next faces unseeded Karen Khachanov of Russia in their first career meeting. Zverev had treatment on his right shoulder late in the first set and made a string of unforced errors. He took exception to some comments made in Khachanov's box and spoke to his opponent at

Peter Uihlein shoots 66 to take 2-shot lead in Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Peter Uihlein birdied five of the last seven holes for a 5-under 66 and a two-stroke lead Friday in the Shriners Hospitals For Children Open.

Uihlein got to 13-under 129 at TPC Summerlin, a day after opening with a 63. Robert Streb and Whee Kim were tied for second, and Bryson DeChambeau, Abraham Ancer and Harold Varner were another stroke back. "I think we still have 36 holes," Uihlein said. "There is a lot of golf left. I've heard it could be windy tomorrow, so that could be challenging." Jordan Spieth had two late birdies in a 68 to get to 8 under in his season debut. Playing for the first time since the Ryder Cup, he making his first



Peter Uihlein tees off on the 18th hole during the second round of the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open golf tournament at TPC at Summerlin in Las Vegas on Friday, Nov. 2, 2018.

Uihlein was even par for the round through 11 holes, making a bogey on the

career start in a domestic par-4 second and a birdie on the par-4 fourth. On the back nine, he birdied Nos. 12-14, 16 and 18.

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"I just like it," Uihlein said

about the course. "There are a lot of holes that set up well for me. A lot of just good sightlines with some good bunker placements. My distance control with my irons has been very good this week, so I've been able to have a kind of more stress-free two days." The son of Acushnet/Titleist chairman and CEO Wally Uihlein, the 29-year-old former Oklahoma State player is winless on the PGA Tour. He won the 2010 U.S. Amateur, took the European Tour's 2013 Madeira Islands Open and the Web. com Tour's 2017 Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship.

Kim shot 65, DeChambeau, Streb and Ancer 66, and Varner 67. Cameron Champ had a 65 in the group with Spieth to also get to 8 under.

Champ won the Sanderson Farms last week in Mississippi for his first tour title. Rickie Fowler was 7 under after a 67.

DIVOTS: Jim Furyk missed the cut with rounds of 71 and 72 in his return after captaining the losing U.S. Ryder Cup team. ... Hall of Famer Davis Love III was 5 under after a 67. Love won the event in 1993, the year Spieth was born. He lost in a playoff in 1996 to Tiger Woods, the first of 80 tour victories for Woods. ... Freddie Jacobson shot 73-70 to miss the cut in his return from hand surgery. He played for the first time since the 2017 Byron Nelson..

Joel Embiid has 41 points, 76ers beat Clippers 122-113

By The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Joel Embiid had 41 points and 13 rebounds, helping the Philadelphia 76ers beat the Los Angeles Clippers 122-113 on Thursday night.

It was Embiid's sixth game already this season with at least 30 points and 10 rebounds.

Ben added Simmons 14 points and 11 assists, bouncing back nicely from one of his worst games as a pro. Markelle Fultz provided a spark late in the third quarter and finished with 12 points, nine rebounds and five assists while helping Philadelphia improve to 5-0 at home.

Lou Williams scored 26 points for the Clippers, and Danilo Gallinari had 25. Tobias Harris finished with 24 points.

CELTICS 117, BUCKS 113 **BOSTON (AP)** — Kyrie Irving scored 28 points, making six of Boston's franchiserecord 24 3-pointers, and the Celtics beat Milwaukee, knocking off the last unbeaten team in the NBA. Gordon Hayward added a season-high 18 points, Al Horford also had 18 and Marcus Morris 17 points.

Giannis Antetokounmpo for the Hornets. They were returned to the lineup after missing one game while in the NBA's concussion protocol and led Milwaukee CLEVELAND (AP) - Juanwith 33 points and 11 rebounds.

KINGS 146, HAWKS 115

ATLANTA (AP) — De'Aaron Fox set career highs with 31 points, 15 assists and 10 rebounds for his first career triple-double, and Sacramento beat Atlanta for its fifth straight victory.

Buddy Hield scored 27 points and Nemanja Bjelica had 19. The Kings' winning streak includes four straight against Eastern Conference teams, including the last three on the road.

Jeremy Lin scored 23 points for the Hawks. They have lost four straight.

THUNDER 111, HORNETS 107 CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Russell Westbrook had 29 points, 10 assists and eight City overcame a 19-point

Alex Abrines had 25 points on five 3-pointers to help the Thunder win their third straight.

Charlotte.

third-quarter deficit to beat

Malik Monk and Kemba Walker each had 21 points

11 of 41 from 3-point range. **NUGGETS 110, CAVALIERS**

cho Hernangomez scored 23 points, Paul Millsap added 16 and Denver rolled past Cleveland Cavaliers 110-91 on Thursday night.

The Nuggets won their third straight to improve to 7-1. On Wednesday night in Chicago, they beat the Bulls 108-107 in overtime on Millsap's putback with 0.1 seconds left.

Jordan Clarkson led Cleveland with 17 points. The Cavaliers dropped to 1-7. They have split two games under "acting" coach Larry Drew.

TRAIL BLAZERS 132, PELI-**CANS 119**

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Damian Lillard scored 26 points to help Portland beat New Orleans in the first meeting rebounds and Oklahoma between the teams since the Pelicans swept the Trail Blazers in the first round of last season's playoffs.

Jusuf Nurkic added 20 points and nine rebounds for the Blazers, who made 18 3-pointers in their third straight win.

New Orleans dropped its



Philadelphia 76ers center Joel Embiid (21) dives to make a save during the second half on an NBA basketball game against the Los Angeles Clippers, Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018, in Philadelphia. The 76ers won 122-113.

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fourth consecutive game. The Pelicans were the sixth seed last season when they upset the third-seeded Blazers in the playoffs.

Julius Randle scored 29 points, but Pelicans star Anthony Davis was sidelined by a right elbow sprain. Davis had returned from the injury Wednesday night against Golden State, when he collected 17 points, 12 rebounds and seven assists in a 131-121 loss to the Warriors.

Cavaliers' Kevin Love has foot surgery, out at least 6 weeks

By TOM WITHERS **AP Sports Writer** CLEVELAND (AP) — The Cavaliers are missing another star.

out at least six weeks and maybe longer — after surgery on his left foot, another blow to a team in disarray in its first season following LeBron James' departure.

Love, who injured his left big toe in Cleveland's first Earlier this week, Love operation Friday in New York at the Hospital for Special Surgery. The team said his timeline to return to basketball activity will be updated in about six weeks, which means he could be out even longer. 30-year-old Love

played in Cleveland's first four games before the pain became intolerable. He underwent tests this week and said doctors Forward Kevin Love will be were still trying to determine the best course of action. Love said the injury became so severe he was having trouble walking and it was affecting his game as he made only 32 percent of his shots in his four games.

exhibition game, had the said surgery had not been ruled out and the team's medical staff, with input from outside physicians, decided that was the best option for the injury to heal completely.

Love's injury and extended recovery are going to make things even tougher



In this Oct. 19, 2018, file photo, Cleveland Cavaliers' Kevin Love shoots a free throw in the second half of an NBA basketball game against the Minnesota Timberwolves in Minneapolis. **Associated Press**

regrouping after coach Tyronn Lue was fired Sunday. Cleveland is trying to develop young players while staying competitive,

on a team that is 1-7 and but with Love out it's going to be even harder.

> Love signed a \$120 million, four-year extension with the club last summer shortly after James left as

a free agent.

The five-time All-Star as missed 45 games because of injuries over the past two seasons. He averaged 19.0 points and 13.5 rebounds before being sidelined by the injury.

It's been quite a week for the Cavs, beginning with Lue's dismissal.

Assistant coach Larry Drew asked the team to restructure his contract if he's going to be the team's "interim" coach and fill in for Lue this season. Also, guard J.R. Smith said he wants to be traded because of his reduced role this season, and former assistant coach Jim Boylan filed a lawsuit against the team claiming age discrimination.



San Francisco 49ers quarterback Nick Mullens throws a pass against the Oakland Raiders during the first half of an NFL football game in Santa Clara, Calif., Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018.

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Mullens has sterling debut in 49ers 34-3 win over Raiders

By JOSH DUBOW **AP Pro Football Writer** SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP)

 Nick Mullens got several hundred congratulatory text messages, a phone call from Brett Favre and his Twitter account verified.

Delivering the most productive game by a quarterback in his NFL debut since the merger leads to many accolades.

Mullens threw for 262 yards and three touchdowns and the San Francisco 49ers thoroughly dominated the Battle of the Bay, beating the Oakland Raiders 34-3 on Thursday night.

The former undrafted free agent out of Favre's alma mater Southern Mississippi finished 16 for 22 in place of the injured C.J. Beathard and had a 151.9 passer rating, the highest for a quarterback with at least 15 attempts in an NFL debut since the 1970 merger.

"I think I'm here for a reason. This is my opportunity to prove that I can play," Mullens said. "Today's thing was just attack your job and worry about what matters. What mattered most tonight was the team and how we played."

The Niners (2-7) couldn't have played much better in snapping a six-game losing streak and winning for just the second time in two years without Jimmy Garoppolo at quarterback. Mullens threw TD passes to Pierre Garcon and Kendrick Bourne on the opening two drives and connected on a 71-yard onehanded catch-and-run play to George Kittle to set up a third TD pass to Kittle. Raheem Mostert added a 52-yard TD run and the defense generated eight sacks for the first time since 2009.

But the story of the game was Mullens, got rid of the ball quickly and took advantages of several breakdowns in coverage for big plays, including the 24-yard TD pass to a wide-open Garcon on the opening drive.

"It was cool that he didn't know the talent we have

and these circumstances," cornerback Richard Sherman said. "We're not really surprised. We've seen him do it in practice. He plays with a lot of confidence."

With Garoppolo out for the season and Beathard having lost nine of 10 career starts, the inevitable question will be whether Mullens will take over as starter for the next game Nov. 12 against the New York Giants. "We'll definitely consider it," coach Kyle Shanahan said. "I'm definitely not thinking about it right now. Our whole team played very well. They definitely did."

The Raiders (1-7) clearly didn't, losing for the fourth straight time, getting outscored by 85 points during the skid.

"I know it's not looking pretty right now," coach Jon Gruden said. "I've heard a lot of negativity over the last six, seven months and rightfully so. But we're going to build a championship football team here."

In what was perhaps the worst prime-time matchup in NFL history, only the Raiders played down to expectations. They provided little resistance on defense against an undrafted quarterback making his NFL debut, did nothing offensively after driving for as field goal on the opening drive and put together the most listless performance yet in Gruden's second stint as coach.

Carr finished 16 for 22 for 171 yards and was sacked seven times before being replaced by AJ McCarron in the fourth quarter. Mc-Carron was sacked once behind a banged-up offensive line.

"It's a frustrating thing to be sitting on the record you have, be going through some of the things we're going through as an offense and still not being able to put points on the board," tight end Jared Cook said. "It's definitely frustrating because we

change under the big lights in this room is way better than that and way better than what we portray on the field."

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Carr was sacked four times in the first half for the first time in his career as the Raiders struggled to provide much protection against a 49ers defense that has not generated much pressure all year. Dekoda Watson had 1 1/2 sacks in his first game of the season after getting activated from IR earlier in the day.

RING CEREMONY

Former Niners receiver Terrell Owens was presented his Hall of Fame ring at a halftime ceremony. Owens was voted into the Hall of Fame earlier this year but skipped the induction ceremony in Canton, Ohio, to hold his own celebration at his college in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Owens said he was upset at the voters who made him wait three years for the honor, saying he believed they brought in off-field issues into their deliberations instead of focusing solely on what Owens did as a player.

"This is awesome," Owens said before the game. "This is an opportunity to give something to the fans. Ever since I left in 2003 and went on and did some great things, but this is where it started my first eight years of my career."

INJURIES

Raiders left tackle Kolton Miller left with a knee injury. ... Mostert broke his forearm in the third quarter and will miss the rest of the season.





Rodgers-Brady a spicy prime-time matchup in NFL's Week 9

By DENNIS WASZAK Jr. **AP Pro Football Writer**

NEW YORK (AP) — Aaron Rodgers vs. Tom Brady. Green Bay vs. New England. Talk about one spicy prime-time matchup.

Sure, the Packers are hovering around the .500 mark and the Patriots don't appear as invincible as they sometimes — well, often are. But the matchup between these two quarterbacks features lots of wins, even more touchdown tosses — and plenty of mutual admiration.

"I love watching him play," Brady said of Rodgers. "To see him up close is great. I watch him play whenever he's out there. I study a lot of the Packers' offense, I study Aaron as a player and he just does an incredible job."

The two will meet for just the second time in their careers, when the Packers (3-3-1) and Patriots (6-2) square off Sunday night.

Rodgers and the Packers won the only other showdown, 26-21 at Green Bay, in 2014.

"I loved going to Lambeau Field and playing him four years ago," Brady said. "It'll be great to play him at home this time. I'm really looking forward to it."

Off are: Indianapolis (3-5), Arizona (2-6), New York Giants (1-7), Jacksonville (3-5), Philadelphia (4-4), Cincinnati (5-3).

Football fans will have to wait until Sunday night for the Packers and Patriots to kick off, but they could be treated to plenty of pass-

Rodgers (24 of 38 for 368 yards, two touchdowns) and Brady (22 of 35 for 245 yards, two TDs) combined for 613 yards passing the last time they faced each other. Rodgers (103.6) and Brady (97.6) also rank first and third, respectively, in NFL history in career passer rating.

"I enjoy competing against great players," Rodgers said, "and obviously Tom is right at the top."

LOS ANGELES RAMS (8-0) at **NEW ORLEANS (6-1)**

The Rams put their undefeated mark — the only

team in the NFL yet to lose ing for 599 yards and nine — on the line in a game that features the squads with the NFC's best records. Los Angeles boasts the No. 2 overall offense with the

touchdowns this season. It might be tougher sled-

ding this week, though, as their bye-week break, lookthe Steelers face a Ravens ing to keep things going afdefense that ranks No. 1 ter a solid start to the sea-

(5-2) at SEATTLE (4-3)

Philip Rivers and the Char-

gers are well-rested after

In this Sept. 23, 2018, file photo, Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers (12) warms up with the team before the NFL football game against the Washington Redskins in Landover, Md. **Associated Press**

top-ranked running game in the league, led by the versatile and electric Todd Gurley. But the Saints have the No. 1 run defense in the NFL, so something's got to give, right?

One thing the Rams have working in their favor: quarterback Jared Goff has won his past seven starts on the road with 13 touchdowns and five interceptions in that span.

Meanwhile, Drew Brees has been sensational at home lately, with 1,045 yards passing with eight TDs and no INTs in his last three games at the Superdome.

PITTSBURGH (4-2-1) at BAL-**TIMORE (4-4)**

Joe Flacco and the Ravens won the first meeting this season, 26-14 on Sept. 30, and Baltimore will try to complete its first series sweep since 2015.

That game, by the way, was the last Ben Roethlisberger and the surging Steelers have lost.

Big Ben & Co. are looking for their fourth straight victory, and that's despite all the drama — will he show up or not? — surrounding the still absent Le'Veon Bell. James Conner has done just fine in his place, though, rush-

overall in the NFL and is allowing a league-low 17.1 points and 293.8 yards per game.

KANSAS CITY (7-1) at CLEVELAND (2-5-1)

Just what the struggling Browns need: a matchup against the team that has the best record in the AFC as well as the NFL's most potent offense.

The Chiefs average a league-high 36.3 points per game and Patrick Mahomes has been putting up eye-popping numbers. He has a league-leading 26 TD passes, just four shy of the franchise record set by Len Dawson in 1964, and has thrown for 300 yards or more in a Chiefs-record seven straight games. Mahomes also leads the NFL in yards passing (2,526) and TD-to-INT rate (plus-20).

The Browns are coming off another turbulent week following the firings of coach Hue Jackson and offensive coordinator Todd Haley. Defensive coordinator Gregg Williams will make his debut as the Browns' interim coach against Kansas City's Andy Reid, who is 6-0 in his career against Cleveland.

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son. He'll face a Seahawks team that has won four of five and begins a stretch of six of nine games at home to close the regular season, Russell Wilson has 11 TD throws and no interceptions in his last five home games, and will look to build off last week's performance when he became the first player in franchise history to post a perfect quarterback rating. **HOUSTON (5-3) at DENVER**

Hey, that guy looks familiar,

Wide receiver Demaryius Thomas will make his debut with the Broncos on Sunday against the team with which he spent his first eight-plus NFL seasons before being traded to the Texans on Tuesday. He'll be counted on by Houston right away to replace the injured Will Fuller and keep the DeShaun Watson-led offense humming.

The Broncos will also try to change the Texans' fortunes. Houston is the fifth team since the 1970 merger to win five consecutive games following an 0-3 start.

Fitzmagic is back. Again. Ryan Fitzpatrick will start at

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quarterback for the Buccaneers — who rank No. 1 in the NFL in total offense — in place of the benched Jameis Winston. He'll look to recapture some of the success he had during his four-game stint as the starter at the beginning of the season. The 35-year-old Fitzpatrick threw for over 400 yards in each of the first three games, and had 11 touchdowns in that span with four interceptions before giving way to Winston. While the Buccaneers have instability at the quarterback spot, Cam Newton is firmly entrenched as the guy in Carolina and has the Panthers looking for their 10th straight home win with him under center. Newton has 17 combined touchdowns and just four interceptions this season.

NEW YORK JETS (3-5) at MI-AMI (4-4)

Sam Darnold faces the Dolphins for the second time, looking for a much better outing than the one he had in Week 2 when New York lost 20-12. The rookie threw for 334 yards — still a personal best — but also had two interceptions.

This also begins a threegame stretch in which New York takes on AFC East opponents.

The Jets will see a different face running the offense on the other side, with Brock Osweiler getting the start for the Dolphins in place of the injured Ryan Tannehill. Osweiler has played well with six touchdown throws and three interceptions in his three starts, during which Miami is 1-2.

ATLANTA (3-4) at WASH-**INGTON (5-2)**

The ageless Adrian Peterson and the Redskins will try to go two games up on Philadelphia in the NFC East. They'll have to get past the Falcons first, though, and Atlanta has won each of the last five meetings.

Peterson, by the way, rushed for 149 yards and a TD last week against the Giants. He has some past success when facing Atlanta, with 442 yards from scrimmage and three TDs in three games against the Falcons.



Domi, Kotkaniemi help Canadiens beat Capitals 6-4

By The Associated Press MONTREAL (AP) — Max Domi broke a tie with 21 seconds left and Jesperi Kotkaniemi scored his first two NHL goals in the Montreal Canadiens' 6-4 victory over the Washington Capi-

After Domi's goal, Joel Armia added an emptynetter two seconds later for the fastest two goals in NHL history.

tals 6-4 on Thursday night.

Kotkaniemi tied it with his second of the night with 3:04 remaining. Surrounded by three Capitals players, the Finn got his stick on the puck and his shot trickled past Holtby. At 18 years and 118 days old, Kotkaniemi became the secondyoungest goal scorer in franchise history.

Domi gave the Canadiens the lead when Holtby fanned on his wrist shot.

Brendan Gallagher also had two goals, and Carey Price stopped 27 shots for his fifth victory of the season to help the Canadiens improve to 7-3-2.

Alex Ovechkin and Lars Eller each scored twice for the Capitals, and Braden Holtby made 38 saves.

PREDATORS 4, LIGHTNING 1 TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Pekka Rinne made 42 saves in his return after missing five games with an injury, and Nashville beat Tampa Bay. Rinne was hurt in the third period of a 5-3 win at Calgary on Oct. 19. He was stretching to try and stop the puck when teammate Kevin Fiala landed on top of the goalie in an awkward-looking collision.

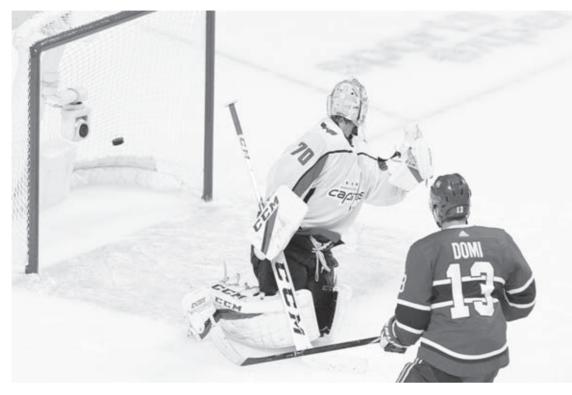
Kyle Turris, Roman Josi, Calle Jarnkrok and Miikka Salomaki scored, and Ryan Johansen had two nifty assists for the Predators. Slater Koekkoek scored for Tampa Bay.

JETS 4, PANTHERS 2

HELSINKI (AP) — Finnish star Patrik Laine had a hat trick and Winnipeg beat Florida in the Finnish capital.

Laine scored in the second period and twice in the third, including an emptynetter. The teams will meet again Friday night.

Mathieu Perreault also scored for the Jets. Keith



Montreal Canadiens' Max Domi scores past Washington Capitals goaltender Braden Holtby during third period NHL hockey action in Montreal on Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018.

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Yandle and Evgenii Dadonov scored for Florida. **ISLANDERS 3, PENGUINS 2,**

NEW YORK (AP) — Josh Bailey scored a short-handed goal in the second period and then the only goal in a shootout to lift New York past Pittsburah.

Thomas Greiss made 29 saves as the Islanders swept a home-and-home set with the Penguins. New York also improved to 5-0-0 against Metropolitan Division rivals this season.

Anders Lee also scored for New York. Dominik Simon and Evgeni Malkin scored for Pittsburgh.

RED WINGS 4, DEVILS 3

DETROIT (AP) — Justin Abdelkader scored a shorthanded goal midway through the third period and Trevor Daley put the puck in an empty net for another short-handed score in the final minute, and Detroit beat New Jersey for its third straight victory.

Michael Rasmussen amd for Vegas. Martin Frk also scored for RANGERS 3, DUCKS 2, SO Detroit. Marcus Johansson, ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Blake Coleman and Sami Mats Zuccarello and Mika Vatanen scored for New Jersey.

STARS 2, MAPLE LEAFS 1 TORONTO (AP) — Bbackup goalie Anton Khudobin made 31 saves to help Dallas beat Toronto.

Shore scored, and Tyler Seguin added two assists. Patrick Marleau scored for Toronto, and Frederik Andersen made 17 saves.

SENATORS 4. SABRES 2 OTTAWA, Ontario (AP) —

Craig Anderson made 21 of his 46 saves in the third period and Ottawa held off Buffalo in the first game of a home-and-home series.

Ryan Dzingel, Dylan DeMelo, Colin White and Bobby Ryan, into an empty net, scored for the Senators. Thomas Chabot and Mark Stone each had two assists. Jason Pominville, playing in his 1,000th NHL game, and Jeff Skinner scored for the Sabres, and Carter Hutton made 28 saves.

BLUES 5, GOLDEN KNIGHTS 3 ST. LOUIS (AP) — Oskar Sundavist scored twice to lead St. Louis past Vegas.

Vladimir Tarasenko, Tyler Bozak and Colton Parayko also scored, and Jake Allen stopped 31 shots. Alex Tuc, Erik Haula and Pierre-Edouard Bellemare scored

Zibanejad scored in the shootout, Alexandar Georgiev made 22 saves and New York completed a four-game road swing with

Brett Howden and Kevin Jamie Benn and Devin Hayes scored in regulation

a victory over Anaheim.

for the Rangers, who went 2-2 on the trip while improving to 3-0 in shootouts. Georgiev denied both Ducks attempts in the tiebreaker.

Jakob Silfverberg and Rickard Rakell scored for Anaheim, which is 0-5-2 in its last seven games. John Gibson made 28 saves.

Rakell tied it with 25.3 seconds remaining in the third period after the Ducks pulled Gibson for an extra skater.

FLYERS 5, KINGS 2

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Oskar Lindblom had a goal and an assist as Philadelphia defeated Los Angeles.

Ivan Provorov scored for the second straight game and the Flyers won consecutive games for the first time this season. Brian Elliott made 25 saves, and Claude Giroux and Wayne Simmonds each had a goal.

Ilya Kovalchuk had a goal and an assist, and Jeff Carter scored a powerplay goal for the Kings, who have lost seven of eight.

Jack Campbell, who will be the starting goalie for three to six weeks as Jonathan Quick recovers from knee surgery, made 26 saves.

BLUE JACKETS 4, SHARKS 1 SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Nick Foligno scored twice and Anthony Duclair had a goal and an assist in Columbus' win over San Jose.

Sergei Bobrovsky made 44 saves as the Blue Jackets won for the third time in four games. Seth Jones also scored.

It was San Jose's first regulation loss since Oct. 14 at New Jersey. The Sharks were 4-0-2 in their last six games since dropping three of four during a road trip.

Kevin Labanc scored a power-play goal in the first period for San Jose.

OILERS 4, BLACKHAWKS 0 EDMONTON, Alberta (AP)

 Mikko Koskinen made 40 saves for his first NHL shutout, Drake Caggiula scored twice and Edmonton blanked Chicago.

Jason Garrison and Alex Chiasson also scored for the Oilers (7-4-1), who have won four of five.

Cam Ward made 25 saves for the Blackhawks (6-5-3), who have lost four straight.

FLAMES 6, AVALANCHE 5 CALGARY, Alberta (AP) —

Mark Giordano had a goal and two assists, and Calgary scored five straight times in the third period to rally past Colorado.

Giordano scored the goahead goal at 13:47 of the third when he took a pass from Mikael Backlund and snapped a shot over the blocker of goaltender Semyon Varlamov. Calgary was down 4-1 after two periods.

Backlund, Elias Lindholm. Sean Monahan, James Neal and Michael Frolik also scored for the Flames (8-5-1), who have won three straight. Matthew Tkachuk added three assists.

It's already the fourth time this season the Flames have come back to win when trailing after two periods.

Colin Wilson, Vladislav Kameney, Sheldon Dries, Carl Soderberg and Gabriel Landeskog scored for Colorado (7-4-2).

Mike Smith got the win despite giving up five goals on 26 shots.

Varlamov, who entered with a 1.62 goals-against average and .950 save percentage, made 31 saves. The five goals he allowed in the third period came on just 11 shots.

13th Gold

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"I've come a long way," Biles said.

It certainly showed. Biles put together a score of 14.7 to edge Germany's Elisabeth Seitz for silver. Belgium's Nina Derwael won the first ever gold medal for her country at worlds when the judges awarded her daring and intricate set with a score of 15.2.

Not that Biles — who expressed frustration after a sloppy (by her standards) performance while winning a record fourth all-around title on Thursday — was complaining after finishing runner-up to Derwael. She became the first American woman to earn a world championship medal on all four events, and the way she's focused on upping her degree of difficulty on bars is a testament to the way her approach has matured over the years.

"(Before) to even work and put that much effort into bars, I would have probably been like 'No, No thank you,'" Biles said. "I really put the work and the effort to bring up that event to the level with the other (events)."

Events like vault, where Biles has long been among

the best in the world. She easily captured gold even though she opted not to perform her new signature vault after she fell while trying to land in during the all-around final. She chose two slightly safer vaults instead, and her average of 15.366 was nearly a full point ahead of silver medalist Shallon Olsen of Canada and bronze medalist Alexa Moreno of Mexico.

Biles wanted to do her new vault — which she drilled in both qualifying and the team final and will be named after her when the code of points is updated — but Landi talked her out

"He said, 'You know what? You can't change what happened yesterday,'" Biles said. "'I know you really want to get out there and do that vault but you can't change what happened yesterday and you've been successful at that vault while in training and on podium. So just go out there and do (another vault instead)."

The decision helped Biles boost her gold medal total at the world championships to 13, the most every by any gymnast. She will have a chance to add to her medal total when the



Silver medallist Simone Biles of the U.S., left, gold medallist Belgium's Nina Derwael, center, and bronze medallist Germany's Elisabeth Seitz pose after the women's uneven bars final on the first day of the apparatus finals of the Gymnastics World Chamionships at the Aspire Dome in Doha, Qatar, Friday, Nov. 2, 2018.

meet wraps up on Saturday. Biles will compete in

both the balance beam final and the floor exercise final. If she medals on both — as she did at the 2016 Olympics — the 21-year-old will tie the all-time mark for career medals at the world

Not bad considering she is dealing with a kidney stone that sent her to the emergency room on the eve of qualifying. Biles said the pain is manageable and she was more focused on simply trying to make up for

championships with 20.

her so-so all-around.

"I really wanted to come out here and redeem myself and I think I did that tonight," Biles said.

Men's all-around champion Artur Dalaloyan added gold on floor exercise, his score of 14.900 allowed him to slip past Japan's Kenzo Shirai. Carlos Edriel Yulo of the Philippines was third, just ahead of American Yul Moldauer in fourth.

China's Xiao Ruoteng, who lost gold in the all-around on a tiebreaker, won gold on pommel horse on a

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tiebreaker. Xiao and Max Whitlock of Britain both finished with a score of 15.166 but Xiao claimed gold because his execution score was higher than Whitlock's. Lee Chih-Kai of Taiwan won the bronze, the first world championship medal for Taiwan in a quarter century. American Sam Mikulak was fourth.

Greece's Eleftherios Petrounias captured gold on still rings with a score of 15.366. Brazil's Arthur Zanetti took silver with Marco Lodadio of Italy claiming bronze.

Bolt's bid for pro contract in Australia ends without a deal

GOSFORD, Australia (AP) —

Usain Bolt's bid to become a professional soccer player in Australia has ended with the Olympic sprinting great failing to agree on a contract with the Central Coast Mariners.

Central Coast reportedly offered Bolt a contract worth 150,000 Australian dollars (\$110,000) hoped to get a third-party endorsement to increase the salary package into the millions, but management for the eight-time Olympic contract negotiations ingold medalist rejected the offer.

"It has been a pleasure to work with Usain as he pursued his desire to become a professional football player," Mariners owner Mike Charlesworth said

in a statement. "This has been a mutually beneficial partnership that brought an increased level of excitement and attention to the season ahead." both the Mariners and the Bolt scored two goals in a A-League."

Bolt, who has never played soccer at an elite level, practiced with the Mariners squad in September and October but only played in some low-level, non-league matches. He stopped practicing with the club's top team when tensified immediately before the A-League season

"I would like to thank the Central Coast Mariners' management, owners, staff, players and fans for making me feel so welcome during my time there," Bolt said in a statement released by the club. "I wish the club success for

trial game but wasn't included in the squad for the A-League season opener on Oct. 21, when Central Coast had a 1-1 draw in Brisbane. Mariners coach Mike Mulvey said after that match that he wasn't aware the club had made an offer to Bolt.

The 32-year-old Bolt retired from competitive track and field last year and has since explored options in Germany, South Africa, Norway, and Australia to gain a professional soccer contract. His first game for the Mariners, an exhibition against



In this Aug. 31, 2018, file photo Usain Bolt smiles as he looks over his shoulder during a friendly trial soccer match between the Central Coast Mariners and the Central Coast Select in Gosford, Australia.

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a selection of amateur players, attracted a much larger than average crowd, and Bolt's bid to join the A-League has generated

plenty of headlines. But critics questioned Bolt's ability to play at an elite level and others wrote it off a publicity stunt.



Google spinoff to test truly driverless cars in California



In this Dec. 13, 2016, file photo, a skylight is reflected in the rear window of a Waymo driverless car during a Google event in San Francisco.

By MICHAEL LIEDTKE **AP Technology Writer** SAN FRANCISCO (AP) —

The robotic car company created by Google is poised to attempt a major technological leap in California, where its vehicles will hit the roads without a human on hand to take control in emergencies.

The regulatory approval announced Tuesday allows Waymo's driverless cars to cruise through California at speeds up to 65 miles per

The self-driving cars have

traveled millions of miles on the state's roads since Waymo began as a secretive project within Google nearly a decade ago. But a backup driver had been required to be behind the wheel until new regulations in April set the stage for the transition to true autonomy. Waymo is the first among dozens of companies testing self-driving cars in California to persuade state regulators its technology is safe enough to permit them on the roads without a safety driver in them. An

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engineer still must monitor the fully autonomous cars from a remote location and be able to steer and stop the vehicles if something goes wrong.

California, however, won't be the first state to have Waymo's fully autonomous cars on its streets. Waymo has been giving rides to a group of volunteer passengers in Arizona in driverless cars since last year. It has pledged to deploy its fleet of fully autonomous vans in Arizona in a ride-hailing service open to all comers in the Phoenix area by the end of this year.

But California has a much larger population and far more congestion than Arizona, making it even more challenging place for robotic cars to get around.

Waymo is moving into its next phase in California cautiously. To start, the fully autonomous cars will only give rides to Waymo's employees and confine their routes to roads in its home town of Mountain View, California, and four neighboring Silicon Valley cities — Sunnyvale, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, and Palo Alto.

If all goes well, Waymo will then seek volunteers who want to be transported in fully autonomous vehicles, similar to its early rider program in Arizona . That then could lead to a ride-hailing service like the one Waymo envisions in Arizona.

But Waymo's critics are not convinced there is enough evidence that the fully autonomous cars can be trusted to be driving through neighborhoods without humans behind the wheel. "This will allow Waymo to test its robotic cars using people as human guinea pigs," said John Simpson, privacy and technology project director for Consumer Watchdog, a group

that has repeatedly raised doubts about the safety of self-driving cars.

Those concerns escalated in March after fatal collision involving a self-driving car being tested by the leading ride-hailing service, Uber. In that incident, an Uber self-driving car with a human safety driver struck and killed a pedestrian crossing a darkened street in a Phoenix suburb.

Waymo's cars with safety drivers have been involved in dozens of accidents in California, but those have mostly been minor fender benders at low speeds.

All told, Waymo says its self-driving cars have collectively logged more than 10 million miles in 25 cities in a handful of states while in autonomous mode, although most of those trips have occurred with safety drivers. Waymo contends its robotic vehicles will save lives because so many crashes are caused by human motorists who are intoxicated, distracted or just bad drivers.

"If a Waymo vehicle comes across a situation it doesn't understand, it does what any good driver would do: comes to a safe stop until it does understand how to proceed," the company said Tuesday.

IBM's \$34B Red Hat deal is risky bid to boost cloud business

By MICHELLE CHAPMAN and MATT O'BRIEN **Associated Press**

IBM's plan to buy Red Hat is both the biggest acquisition in IBM's century-long history and a risky effort to position itself as a major player in cloud computing. The \$34 billion stock deal translates to \$190 per Red Hat share — a 63 percent premium to the closing price Friday for the Raleigh, North Carolina, company. Red Hat Inc.'s Whitehurst. stock soared about 45 percent in trading Monday. The path for revitalization for IBM may be found

in cloud technology, a

driving force behind the

blockbuster deal for Red



This undated photo provided by IBM shows IBM Chairman and CEO Virginia Rometty, right, and Red Hat president and CEO Jim

Hat over the weekend. "It's a bia bet but ultimately they're in a situation where they needed to which services are demake a significant acquisition to move them poten- from remote computers,

tially forward," Wedbush analyst Daniel Ives said. Cloud computing, livered over the internet

accounted for nearly a quarter of IBM's total revenue over the past year. But the company has been overshadowed by top cloud rivals Amazon, Microsoft and Google in competing to sell its internet-based computing services to businesses.

"This is about resetting the cloud landscape," IBM Chairman and CEO Virginia Rometty said Monday in a conference call.

The hybrid cloud — when Associated Press companies use a mix of on-site, private and thirdparty public services — is an emerging \$1 trillion opportunity that the companies want to be prepared for, Rometty said.

Ives said there's still plenty of room for growth as financial services, retailers and industrial firms increasingly migrate their workloads into the cloud.

IBM's Red Hat acquisition follows Microsoft's recently completed \$7.5 billion purchase of computer coding hangout GitHub. Both deals will allow the larger companies to tap into a broader community of open-source software developers. Red Hat, founded in 1993, has built a software platform using the open-source Linux operating system that's become "one of the key paths for enterprises in their moves to the cloud," Ives said.



Wages surge as US adds a robust 250,000 jobs in October

By CHRISTOPHER RUGABER Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. businesses ramped up hiring in October, and wages rose by the largest year-over-year amount in nearly a decade, a combination that is pulling a rising share of Americans into the job market.

In the final major economic report before Tuesday's congressional elections, the government said Friday that U.S. employers added a robust 250,000 jobs in October. The unemployment rate stayed at a five-decade low of 3.7 percent.

Healthy economic growth is spurring employers to hire at a rapid pace that shows no sign of flagging even with the economy in its 10th year of expansion. With the supply of unemployed dwindling, companies appear to be finally putting up generous enough pay raises to attract and retain employees.

Average hourly wages rose 3.1 percent in October from a year earlier, the fastest annual gain since 2009. Still, inflation has picked up a bit in the past year as well, eating away at some of those pay raises. And the increase in wages last month also partly reflected a one-time drop in pay a year ago because of Hurricane Harvey.

Even so, October's increase suggests that after a decade of anemic growth, wage growth is picking up. At the same time, an influx of new job-seekers increased the proportion of Americans with jobs to its highest level since 2009.

The economy has now added jobs for 97 straight months, a record. That steady hiring has helped reduce the unemployment rate for Latinos to 4.4 percent, a record low. Teenage unemployment dropped last month to 11.9 percent, also the lowest on records. And the proportion of Americans without a high school degree who are working has reached the highest point on records dating from 1992.

"It doesn't get any better than this," said Sun Wong



In this Jan. 30, 2018, file photo, Loredana Gonzalez, of Doral, Fla., fills out a job application at a JobNewsUSA job fair in Miami Lakes, Fla.

Sohn, chief economist at SS Economics. "Evidently, the word has spread that there are good jobs to be had at decent wages."

Cheyenne Mauzy of Springfield, Missouri, had held out for higher pay when she started job hunting in June. She felt she needed a high enough hourly wage to make up for the cost of child care for her three children.

"There was a minimum we had to make," Mauzy, 28, said, referring to calculations she made with her husband. "I had to bring home enough on top of child care. If I am just going to work to pay for our child care, I should be our child care."

In late August, she took a job at a hospital in Spring-field that pays \$11.22 an hour.

Becky Frankiewicz, president of staffing firm ManpowerGroup North America, said companies are trying a variety of strategies to fill jobs. Many retailers are removing the label "seasonal" from their job postings and looking for permanent workers instead. Others are dropping their requirements for a college degree.

"We absolutely see employers getting more and more creative about ways to get people in," Frankiewicz said.

By some measures, consumers are the most confident they have been in 18 years, and their spending is propelling brisk economic growth. The economic expansion is now the secondlongest on record, and October marked the 97th straight month of hiring, a record streak.

Strength in their customer demand has been a key factor leading companies to steadily add workers. Though economists have predicted that hiring will eventually slow as the pool of unemployed Americans dwindles, there's no sign of that happening yet.

Still, the latest month of healthy job growth might not tip many votes in the midterm elections. Polls have suggested that while Americans generally approve of the economy's performance, that sentiment hasn't necessarily broadened support for President Donald Trump or for Republican congressional candidates.

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The strong job growth and bigger pay increases will likely encourage the Federal Reserve to keep raising short-term interest rates. Most analysts expect the Fed to resume its rate hikes in December.

Hurricane Michael, which slammed into the Florida Panhandle and southern Georgia last month, had no discernible effect on the jobs data, the government said. Still, October's outsize gain might have reflected, in part, a rebound from September, when Hurricane Florence depressed job growth.

Hiring in October was strong in higher- and middle-income jobs. Professional and business services, which include engineers, architects and accountants, gained 35,000 jobs. Manufacturers add-

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ed 32,000 after two months of smaller gains, defying fears that Trump's trade fights would slow hiring in that sector. Construction companies added 30,000 positions.

Retailers barely hired, adding just 2,400 positions, possibly reflecting the Sears bankruptcy. Restaurants and hotels gained 33,000, most of them lower-paying.

In the July-September quarter, consumer spending grew by the most in four years and helped the economy expand at a 3.5 percent annual rate. That growth followed a 4.2 percent annual pace in the April-June quarter. Combined, the two quarters produced the strongest sixmonth stretch of growth in four years.

Housing remains a weak spot in the economy, with sales of existing homes having fallen for six straight months as mortgage rates have risen to nearly 5 percent. But slower sales have started to limit home price increases, which had been running at more than twice the pace of wage gains.

Although pay increases can help boost spending and propel the economy's growth, they can also lead companies to raise prices to cover their higher labor costs. That trend, in turn, can accelerate inflation. So far, though, inflation re-

mains in check.
The Federal Reserve's preferred price measure rose
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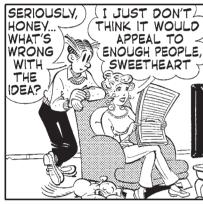
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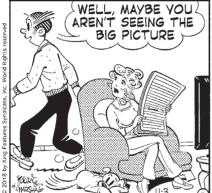






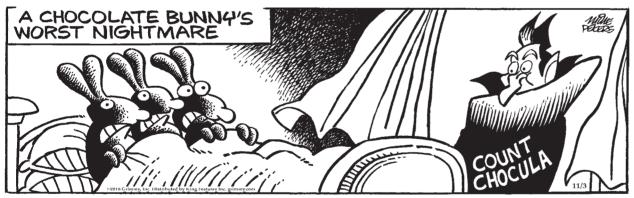
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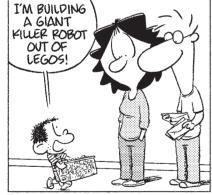




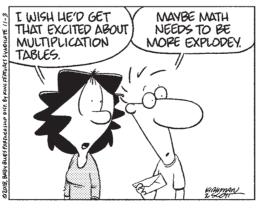
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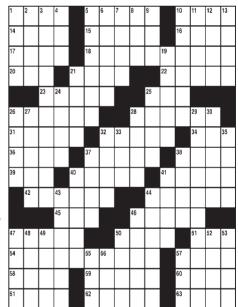
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China reverses ban on trade in tiger, rhino products

By CHRISTOPHER BODEEN **Associated Press**

BEIJING (AP) — China says it will allow trading in products made from endangered tigers and rhinos under "special circumstances," reversing a longstanding ban and bringing condemnation from conservation groups.

A notice from the Cabinet issued Monday avoided mentioning any change in the law, saying instead that it would "control" the trade and that rhino horns and tiger bones could only be obtained from farmed animals for use in "medical research or in healing."

"Under the special circumstances, regulation on the sales and use of these products will be strengthened, and any related actions will be authorized, and the trade volume will be strictly controlled," the statement said.

Tiger bone and rhino horn are used in traditional Chinese medicine, despite a lack of evidence of their effectiveness in treating illness and the effect on wild populations. Chinese demand for ivory is also blamed as a driver behind the slaughter of African elephants, despite Beijing banning all trade in ivory starting from this year.

No reason was given for the lifting of the ban, which was implemented in 1993 amid a global push to protect fast-disappearing endangered species.

The statement also said nothing about regulating the farming of tigers and rhinos, but added that the central government "urged governments at all levels to improve publicity activities for protecting rhinos and tigers to help the public actively boycott any illegal purchases."

The World Wildlife Fund said the move to overturn the ban would have "devastating consequences globally" by allowing poachers and smugglers to hide behind legalized trade.

"With wild tiger and rhino populations at such low



In this May 7, 2009, file photo, a Siberian tiger crouches on top of a tourist bus at a branch of Harbin Siberian Tigers Breeding Center in Shenyang in northeast China's Liaoning province. **Associated Press**

levels and facing numerous threats, legalized trade in their parts is simply too great a gamble for China to take," Margaret Kinnaird, WWF wildlife practice leader, was quoted as saying in a statement from the Washington-based organization.

"This decision seems to contradict the leadership China has shown recently in tackling the illegal wildlife trade," Kinnaird said.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Lu Kang said protecting endangered species is China's "consistent position" and that the changes aimed to fill gaps in previous regulations while providing for beefed-up enforcement.

"I've noticed the concerns of the relevant parties about this and we are willing to step-up exchanges with other countries in this aspect," Lu told reporters at a daily briefing.

Despite the former ban, China has long allowed tiger farms, which harvest the bones of dead animals, and tacitly allows their sale for alleged medicinal purposes, according to a study by the Environmental Investigation Agency, a British nonprofit.

Operators are also believed to be investigating the possibility of farming rhinos in the country, although, unlike tigers, those are not native to China.

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Cross talk: Federal agencies clash on cellphone cancer risk

By LAURAN NEERGAARD and SETH BORENSTEIN Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two U.S. government agencies are giving conflicting interpretations of a safety study on cellphone radiation: One says it causes cancer in rats. The other says there's no reason for people to worry.

No new research was issued Thursday. Instead, the National Toxicology Program dialed up its concerns about a link to heart and brain cancer from a study of male rats that was made public last winter.

The Food and Drug Administration, which oversees cellphone safety, disagreed with the upgraded warning. And "these findings should not be applied to human cellphone usage," said Dr. Jeffrey Shuren, FDA's chief of radiological health.

What's most important is what happens in humans, not rats, said Dr. Otis Brawley, chief medical officer of the American Cancer Society.

"The incidence of brain tumors in human beings has been flat for the last 40 years," Brawley said. "That is the absolute most important scientific fact."

THE ORIGINAL STUDY

In a \$30 million study, scientists put rats and mice into special chambers and



In this Thursday, Oct. 11, 2012 file photo, a pedestrian talking on a cellphone is silhouetted in front of a fountain in Philadelphia.

bombarded them with radiofrequency waves, like those emitted by older 2G and 3G phones, for nine hours a day for up to two years, most of their natural

The levels the rodents experienced were far higher than people are typically exposed to.

THE FINDINGS

Last February, the National Toxicology Program said there was a small increase in an unusual type of heart tumor in male rats, but not in mice or female rats. The agency concluded there was "some evidence" of a link. Also, the February report cited "equivocal evi-

dence" of brain tumors in the male rats.

Thursday, the agency upgraded its description of those findings. The heart tumor increase marked "clear evidence" of cancer in male rats, it announced. There is "some evidence" of brain cancer.

The change came after the agency asked outside experts to analyze the findings.

"We believe that the link between radiofrequency radiation and tumors in male rats is real, and the external experts agreed," said John Bucher, the toxicology agency's senior scientist. that the radiofrequency energy helped older rats' kidneys. There's a reason two differ-

agency said it appeared

There's a reason two different government agencies are clashing — they're asking different questions, said George Washington University public health professor George Gray.

A former science chief for the Environmental Protection Agency, Gray said the toxicology program examined how cellphone radiation affected animals. By looking at what it means for humans, the FDA "brings in more sources of information and data than just these recent tests in rats and mice," he said in an email.

SO ARE CELLPHONES SAFE?

"I'm calling you from my cellphone," noted the cancer society's Brawley.

He pointed out one well-known risk from cellphones: Car crashes when drivers are distracted by them.

As for cancer, if people are concerned, they could use earphones or speakers, he said. Those who study risk aren't hanging up.

"My family and I won't change our mobile phone habits based on this news," said George Washington's Gray, co-author of the book "Risk: A Practical Guide for Deciding What's Really Safe and What's Really Dangerous in the World Around You."

Associated Press While his agency said the

risks to rats don't directly apply to people, the study raises safety questions.

THE DISAGREEMENT

The FDA immediately disagreed, firing off a press release assuring Americans

that "decades of research and hundreds of studies" has made the health agency confident that the current safety limits for cellphone radiation protect

the public health.

Plus, FDA pointed out confusing findings from the rodent study — such as that the radiated rats lived longer than comparison rats that weren't exposed to the rays. The toxicology



In this June 13, 2009 file photo, children play at a resort beach in Ngerkebesang, Palau.

Associated Press



Palau to ban sunscreen as it tries to save its coral reefs

By NICK PERRY
Associated Press

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — In an attempt to protect the coral reefs that divers so admire they have dubbed them the underwater Serengeti, the Pacific nation of Palau will soon ban many types of sunscreen.

President Tommy Remengesau Jr. last week signed legislation that bans "reef-toxic" sunscreen from 2020. Banned sunscreens will be confiscated from tourists who carry them into the country, and merchants selling the banned products will be fined up to \$1,000.

Remengesau said in a statement that the penalties find the right balance between "educating tourists and scaring them away."

The law defines reef-toxic sunscreen as containing any one of 10 chemicals, including oxybenzone, and states that other chemicals may also be banned.

The legislation also requires tour operators to start providing customers with reusable cups, straws and food containers.

Remengesau said a big impetus for the ban was a 2017 report which found that sunscreen products were widespread in Palau's famed Jellyfish Lake, which was closed for more than a year due to declining jellyfish numbers before being recently reopened.

The president noted legislative findings that "plastic waste, chemical pollution, resource overconsumption, and climate change all continue to threaten the health of our pristine paradise."



Guetta breaks down his formula for success, talks new album

By SIAN WATSON **Associated Press**

LONDON (AP) — Grammywinning DJ-producer and hitmaker David Guetta says success is mostly down to hard work and luck not talent.

The 50-year-old French performer, who says he feels "very complete as a man and an as an artist right now," credits his longevity to his persistent work ethic, adding that he believes the formula for success is "talent 20 percent, work probably 70 percent and 10 percent of luck."

Guetta released the album, "7," in September. His last album was 2014's "Listen."

Despite "7" being his seventh record, he said the album's title has a deeper meaning.

"Seven is like a full week, seven days to create the world in the Bible. And I feel like (I'm) starting a new cycle in my life," he said. "It's actually a similar feeling ... (to) when I did my first album, which is a great place to be in."

In an interview with the Associated Press, Guetta discussed how he stays healthy on the road, the addicting energy of live



In this Nov. 12, 2017 file photo, French DJ David Guetta poses for photographers at the MTV European Music Awards in London. **Associated Press**

performances and his new album, which features collaborations with Justin Bieber, Sia, Nicki Minaj, J Balvin, Bebe Rexha and Martin Garrix, among oth-

AP: What was it like to collaborate again with Nicki Minaj and Sia?

Guetta: Nicki Minaj and Sia, they are like old-time partners. I really appreciate that they are so loyal to me. I think we made records that were really lifechanging together. And I feel like they became such huge stars and I think it's amazing that they're always here from me and really appreciate it.

AP: You have a crazy schedule. How do you stay healthy with such a hectic lifestyle?

Guetta: Yes, it's sometimes a little too much. I'm not going to lie, because at the moment I'm doing one city per day. It's a lot. But it's the life I chose, and it makes me very happy. I have the best job in the world. So, I don't want to complain. Every job has a little bit of a downside and probably jetlag will be the big downside of my work. And even after all those years I still didn't figure out how to beat jetlag. But yeah, that is very small compared to all the amazing things that come with my job.

AP: If you're playing in Ibiza, for example, do you get carried away with the audience's energy?

Guetta: Obviously when you get onstage it's like a huge rush of adrenaline because you receive all this energy, all this love. It's actually crazy because in my entire career I only cancelled two shows, and it was two times because of the plane, not because of me. Doesn't matter if I'm sick, have (a) fever, I always do it. And I can be really shaking with (a) fever the moment, I get onstage it's all gone. It's like magic because you receive so much energy that, you know, it's just crazy and that's addicting. You know, that's probably what keeps me going to the studio. You know, like, I think a lot of new producers, DJs ... they start by being producers and then because of having a successful record they go to (the) stage and become DJs. For me it's the other way around. I go to the studio because when I'm

making music, I'm imagining the moment I'm going to drop this record. And the amazing feeling of happiness ... (is) what makes me want to work those 16 hours a day sometimes in the studio."

AP: Does it help to have friends in the industry? Guetta: Well, we always traveling so we don't have so much of a family life or like a normal social life, so we kind of create a new family. We all do festivals, we usually play in the same places during the summer ... it's like a circuit of festivals. So that's what is happening. We created a new music family and yes, it's great. It's great.

AP: Is there anyone else that you really want to collaborate with?

Guetta: There are many people that I want to work with. I would love to work with Adele, which I never did. But, at the same time, probably the biggest dream is to find a new Sia. Someone that can write and sing and that is unknown and that we can develop something together. That's the ultimate dream really.

Pussy Riot founder's guide to political activism

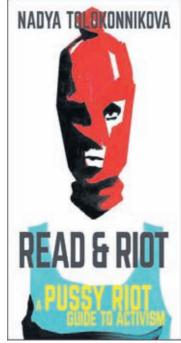
By ANN LEVIN **Associated Press**

"Read & Riot: A Pussy Riot Guide to Activism" (HarperOne), by Nadya Tolokonnikova

Power to the people: Where have we heard that before? In the 1960s, to be sure. And again today in "Read & Riot," an invigorating new guide to radical protest by Pussy Riot founder Nadya Tolokonnikova.

Most of the world first heard of the punk art collective when Tolokonnikova and two others were arrested in an anti-Putin protest inside Moscow's Cathedral of Christ the Savior in 2012.

Tolokonnikova and Maria Alekhina, whose prison memoir, "Riot Days," came out last year, were sentenced to two years in



This cover image released by HarperOne shows "Read & Riot: A Pussy Riot Guide to Activism," by Nadya Tolokonnikova.

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prison on charges of hooliganism. Since their pardon in late 2013 as the Kremlin tried to clean up its image before the Sochi Olympics, they have traveled the world as global celebrities, speaking out about their ordeal behind bars.

Tolokonnikova's stomachchurning description of the barbarous conditions of the labor camp where she was sent will resonate with activists in the U.S. protesting the penal system here.

She sees numerous parallels between the two countries — "When two people fight for a long time, they end up looking more and more alike" — and between Donald Trump and Vladimir Putin.

She hopes to spark protest against "a cosmic rise in inequality, the global em- of a bright, thoughtful idepowerment of oligarchs, threats to public education and health care, plus a potentially fatal environmental crisis" with a DIY spirit and "pirate" mentality.

The book is divided into a series of 10 "rules," one per chapter, each accompanied by tactics and strategies and enlivened by quotes from some of her cultural and political he-

That's a long list that includes Vaclav Havel and Noam Chomsky, Emmeline Pankhurst and bell hooks, Bernie Sanders and Diogenes the Cynic.

Tolokonnikova, a self-described nerd who has read widely and deeply, fairly bursts with all the energy and passion you'd expect alist who's not even 30.

She credits the Riot Grrls feminist punk movement of the 1990s for inspiration as well as the radical protesters of the 1960s, who took their fight for civil rights and against the Vietnam War to the streets.

Her joyously anarchic, radically egalitarian spirit recalls a revolutionary of that earlier era, Abbie Hoffman, whose 1971 manifesto, "Steal This Book," offered tips on how to live for free and on the run.

While much has changed since Hoffman was the face of youthful rebellion, he would no doubt be smiling at a how-to section of Tolokonnikova's book devoted to shoplifting in Moscow.

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erts stars in the series, which

premieres Friday, and

As long ago as it was, their

"Thank goodness I met Sis-

sy when I was 13 because

when she came in we all

had to pinch ourselves,"

Roberts says, to which

Spacek groans: "Oh come

on!" "It is awful to talk like

together

Spacek plays her mother.

background

proved helpful.



Julia Roberts, Sissy Spacek on co-starring in 'Homecoming'

By JAKE COYLE **Associated Press**

TORONTO (AP) — Julia Roberts and Sissy Spacek, two big-smiling big-screen legends, were remembering the first time they met.

It was when Roberts, then 13, took a trip to New York to visit her older brother, the actor Eric Roberts, who was making 1981's "Raggedy Man" with Spacek and her husband, the production designer Jack Fisk. "I always claimed her," Spacek said in her bright Texas accent in an interview in September alongside Roberts. "I knew her when she was 13! She was part mine! Lo and behold you are!"

That their reunion, many decades later, comes on the small screen speaks to how much has changed in the intervening years. The Amazon series "Homecoming," a psychological thriller directed by Sam Esmail ("Mr. Robot"), has drawn plenty of attention because it it's the first foray into scripted television by Roberts, the megawatt epitome of a movie star if



This image released by Amazon shows Julia Roberts in a scene from "Homecoming," an Amazon series premiering on Nov. 2.

Associated Press

it has to be done," Roberts continues, undeterred. "You do sit there at a certain point like, 'Oh God, that's Sissy Spacek right next to me.' Fortunately, the first scene we did on the couch, I don't ever look at her." The two burst out laughing and a pair of the most infectious cackles you've ever heard echo around the room. "She's being very gra-

cious," says Spacek.

"I'm just being honest," retorts Roberts. "Trust me, I'm not that nice." "Homecoming," dense and paranoid,

is based on a fictional podcast. Roberts plays a case worker at a remote military facility ostensibly designed to help soldiers reintegrate to civilian life. But dread hovers over the mysterious program, a sense only furthered by flash-forward scenes of Roberts' character living with her mom and having only foggy recollections of her past. "I grew up watching television and then there's a whole period of my life where television was just not on my radar," says Roberts. "For me coming in from film, the two

things I felt were absolutely critical to me being able to do this, just because of how my creative mind works were: I wanted Sam to direct all the episodes and I wanted all the scripts before we started shooting. I can't read a map just one little section at a time."

"Brilliant!" nods Spacek. Figuring out one's place in a long-format series without the full picture, Spacek says, is like being the bird in the children's book: "Are you my mommy? Are you my mommy?" A naturalistic fixture of cinema in the '70s ("Badlands," ''Carrie"), '80s ("The Coal Miner's Daughter," for which she won an Oscar) and '90s ("The Straight Story"), the 68-year-old Spacek has more regularly dabbled in television. With credits including HBO's "Big Love," Netflix's "Bloodline" and Hulu's "Castle Rock," she's a peak-TV veteran.

"It used to be back in the day that if you were a film actor, you didn't do TV. And if you did, things weren't so good," Spacek says. "And that's all changed, and I love that about it. The veil has lifted. It's just where there's great work going on."





Tiffany Haddish's goal to make 50 movies by 50th birthday

By JILL DOBSON **Associated Press**

NEW YORK (AP) — By the time Tiffany Haddish turns 50, she's hoping to have 50 movies to her credit. She's got 12 years and a few dozen films to achieve it.

"That's the goal," she said recently and auickly followed it up with, "They're not all gonna be great."

She insists her latest movie, "Nobody's Fool," out Friday and written, directed and produced by Tyler Perry, is one of the good ones.

In the movie, Haddish and Tika Sumpter play sisters. Sumpter is the straightlaced one who makes all the right choices. Haddish is more a wild child. The movie begins with Haddish



This image released by Paramount Pictures shows director Tyler Perry, right, and Tiffany Haddish on the set of "Nobody's Fool." **Associated Press**

getting out of jail and they discover Sumpter's boyfriend is catfishing her.

It's Perry's first R-rated comedy and he says he wrote Haddish's part with her in

"I felt like I was writing for

a 30-year-old Madea," he said, referring to his wisecracking character that has turned into a franchise. Madea was introduced in 1999 in a play and then went on to appear films, TV and a book.



Raymond Chow, film producer behind Bruce Lee, dies at age 91

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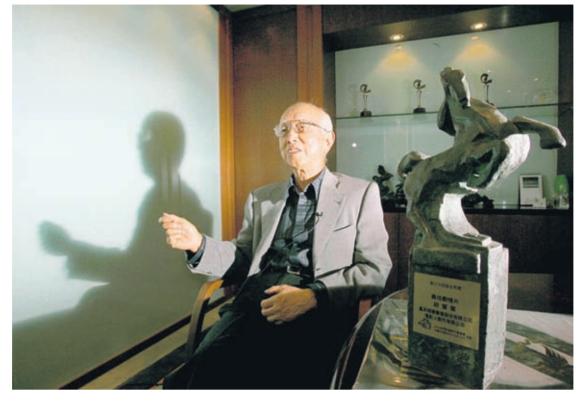
HONG KONG (AP) — Legendary Hong Kong film producer Raymond Chow, who introduced the world to Bruce Lee and Jackie Chan and even brought the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles to the big screen, has died at age 91.

Hong Kong' secretary for commerce and economic development, Edward Yau, said in a statement Friday that Chow "helped nurture a pool of Hong Kong talents and brought them to the international stage."

Chow was a journalist who became a publicist for Shaw Brothers Studios, which churned out hundreds of films and popularized the kung fu genre. Studio founder Run Run Shaw soon moved Chow to the production side of the business after Chow complained that the movies — made on low budgets and short schedules — weren't good enough.

"I said I did not think I could keep my job because the pictures were so bad," Chow told Asiaweek magazine in 1983. Frustrated with Shaw Brothers' assembly-line ethic, he created his own production company, Golden Harvest, in 1970.

He soon outmaneuvered his gigantic old employer to grab the actor who would become synony-



In this Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2005 file photo, film producer Raymond Chow speaks to The Associated Press in an interview in Hong Kong.

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mous with kung fu movies. Chow signed Bruce Lee in 1971 after seeing him on a Hong Kong television variety show.

"Facing you on the screen, you feel his presence is very strong, very powerful," Chow told The Associated Press in 2005.

Golden Harvest signed Lee to a three-picture deal, with each breaking all Hong Kong box office records.

Those movies were followed by "Enter the Dragon," the first Chinese martial arts film to be produced by a major

Hollywood studio, Warner Bros. It cost \$500,000 and earned \$40 million at the box office. Tragically, Lee died days before the film's release in 1973.

Lee's death left a void for kung fu heroes in Hong Kong's film industry that young performers were eager to fill. Chow signed one of them, a former stuntman named Jackie Chan, in 1979.

Chan's first taste of success in Hong Kong had come the year before with the film "Drunken Master." After signing with Chow, he made a number of increasingly popular Chineselanguage action-comedy movies that made him a superstar in Asia.

Chow invested plenty of time and effort introducing Chan to Western audiences. He arranged for Chan to spend time in Los Angeles learning English and star in his first Englishlanguage film, 1980's "The Big Brawl," which flopped. A year later, Chow gave him a minor role alongside top Hollywood names in "The Cannonball Run." But it was 1995's "Rumble

in the Bronx" that catapulted Chan to worldwide fame. The film was released on 1,700 screens in North America and grossed \$32.4 million, becoming the most successful Hong Kong film released in the U.S. Three years later, Chan teamed up with Chris Tucker in 1998's "Rush Hour," becoming a Hollywood A-list actor.

Chan acknowledged the debt he owed to Chow's grooming.

"Mr. Chow gave me a chance to follow my dreams," he told Variety in 2000. "I think today that without Golden Harvest, there is no Jackie Chan." Golden Harvest helped bring to the silver screen another set of unlikely martial arts characters, the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, which began as a comic book and then became an animated kids' TV show with a cult following. Intrigued by the name, Chow agreed to produce a live-action movie based on the four crime-fighting, human-sized turtles after Hollywood rejected the idea.

The movie about the pizzaeating, surfer-lingo-spouting terrapins named after Renaissance artists became a worldwide smash. Chow said that he made his choice based on a "gut feeling."

Can a long-running debate for Bob Dylan fans be settled?



In this Feb. 6, 2015 file photo, Bob Dylan accepts the 2015 MusiCares Person of the Year award at the 2015 MusiCares Person of the Year show in Los Angeles.

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By DAVID BAUDER Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — The 14th volume of Bob Dylan's bootleg series won't settle one of the most persistent debates about his recording career. But it will allow fans to decide for themselves.

Dylan's 1975 album "Blood on the Tracks" is considered a milestone, a torrent of words and images thought to be inspired by the breakup of his marriage, although he insists the stories he was reading at the time had more to do with it. The Nobel prize committee likely had it in mind when giving Dylan its 2016 award for literature. He recorded tracks like "Idiot Wind," "Tangled Up in Blue" and "Shelter From the Storm" in New York the previous Sep-

tember, primarily with his acoustic guitar

but occasionally joined by a few other

release, on a holiday break home in Minnesota, an apparently unsatisfied Dylan convened a mostly unknown group of musicians and re-recorded half of the album's 10 songs. Many of his fans, particularly those who heard illicit outtakes of what he recorded in New York, have long debated whether that was a mistake. There's a greater bite and urgency to Dylan's voice in the Minnesota versions as the band works to keep up with him, yet some loyalists prefer the more intimate recordings from New York.

musicians. But shortly before the album's

The six-disc box set out Friday, "More Blood, More Tracks," lays it all on the line. It includes everything he recorded in New York, so fanatics can see how songs progressed as Dylan tried out different arrangements.

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